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## CITRUS GUM DISEASE TRACED TO INJURIOUS SOIL-FUNGUS

Most Important Discovery In Orange Culture  
For Years Is Made By Local Man of Prac-  
tical School—Gives Simple Treatment

Following almost immediately on the announcement that the disease in orange trees known as witherip is a fungus growth, and the equally important discovery that the "brown spot" in oranges is only another form of the same fungus, Horticultural Inspector James R. Hodges of Covina, has brought forth an even more important discovery, which he gives to the Covina Argus this week. He states that gum disease, something which has baffled every investigator and every rancher since the orange industry began in this state, is caused by fungus, and comes from exactly the same source as witherip, brown spot and other kindred diseases of the citrus tree. So important is this discovery that State Pathologist Fawcett has been delegated by the State Commissioner A. J. Cook, to come at once to Covina, to confer with the local investigator. Fungi cultures collected by Mr. Hodges have been forwarded to the state office, and are now being tried out under the microscope.

The whole trouble in all investigations for the cause of gum disease as explained by Mr. Hodges, is that the scientists have been attempting to proceed on the premise that the gum disease is a pathological disease, when the reason for the disease lies in the diseased condition of the soil, and also to tree-root injuries that make it possible for the fungi to find a favorable condition.

During the past year, Mr. Hodges has been carrying on his experiments quietly, without consultation with the scientific schools, acting wholly in the interest of the work connected with the county horticultural commission. Hodges received no recognition from the scientific investigators, and his work attracted little attention until he discovered, last June, the cause of witherip in orchards. His announcement that this was caused by a fungus, convinced the Covina orchardists who have since been spraying the trees with bordeaux mixture, with the result that witherip is disappearing from all the orchards thus treated. One orchard of a hundred acres, badly affected by witherip, was used as an experiment, and after the success of the work, the local fumigating concerns accepted the discovery, and the Covina valley has been thoroughly sprayed where the disease was found.

Two weeks ago, Inspector Hodges, after investigating "brown spot" on the oranges at the request of Manager C. E. Crawford of the Covina Orange Growers' Association, announced that "brown spot" was caused by the same fungus as causes witherip. His investigations of this disease occupied several months.

Most important of all, however, is this discovery of gum disease, which the inspector states positively is simply the gradual following up of the primary causes through the manifestations of the other diseases named. That gum disease is caused by an injury to the tree, an abrasion, cut or bruise, or the rubbing together of limbs is no more true, he says, than that tuberculosis in the human lungs is caused by an injury. The lung tissue of the human, when weakened by any cause, or injury, forms immediately a cavity bed for the consumption germ, but were it not for the germ, the tissues of the lungs would never contract the disease. The same conditions are true of the orange tree, he says. When an abrasion of the root is made, the fungus that causes gum disease is easily admitted to the sap of the tree, and the tree is then impregnated with the disease fungi, which manifest themselves in so many different ways, such as witherip, brown spot, and mottled leaf or chlorosis. The tree is made sick by cause of this fungus, that more often

broken the tree through diseased or broken roots than through surface abrasions. That the surface abrasions which exude the gum are noticeable to the eye, is of course true. A tree with broken or diseased roots will be open to the fungi, and if the tree has no cuts or bruises, it manifests itself in a sickly and yellow leaf, or in the tips of the branches being badly nourished, or in a disease showing itself on the skin, or between the skin and the orange itself. When a tree has an unnatural outlet, like a cut or a bruise, the trouble manifests itself as gum disease, and, of course, when the tree is thoroughly sick, the gum will form on the bark in the crotches, working out of its own accord.

Therefore, Inspector Hodges says that the most common cause of gum disease, witherip, brown spot, and perhaps other diseases, is because of broken roots, done in plowing too deep, or in a disturbance of the soil around the roots which breaks them, a strong arraignment of the system of deep plowing, and a strong argument for more mulching and less disturbance of the soil. In connection with the matter of root condition, Inspector Hodges says that he has found, on examining soil in which diseased roots were imbedded, a very small worm, which, magnified five hundred times in the microscope, shows it to be an enemy of plant life, a parasite, which makes it possible by injuring the roots, for the fungus to gain a hold in the circulation of the tree.

All attempts to cure gum disease by working at the point where the gum oozes out, cannot be more than simply palliative, the inspector asserts. Working on gum disease in this manner is not work wholly thrown away, but it is like the method of bandaging boils and running sores on the body. The inspector succinctly remarks that the cure for gum disease and all kindred diseases, lies in making a perfect culture-bed for beneficial bacteria by the application of all the water the soil needs, by mulching plentifully to hold the moisture and keep bacteria, and by refraining from disturbing the soil where the life-giving roots are at work, so that no needless injury shall be done them. He points out the healthy trees of the primeval forests, where the soil is never disturbed, where the forest trees furnish each year their own mulch, and where moisture and bacteria are ever to be found. Inspector Hodges says that the California growers have gone cultivation mad. The disturbance of the soil in large, growing and bearing orchards, except when it is necessary to change the surface for irrigation, cover-crop, etc., is injurious, he asserts, and his investigations seem to bear him out well in the fact.

The bacteriologists have recently overturned almost every principle by which the school of science has been working in horticulture. Inspector Hodges states that the gospel of beneficial bacteria must supplant the old theories that have proven so futile to the rancher looking for practical results. "The systematic mulching with horse-mannure and other good mulch, in which plenty of water is kept, so that the water content never falls below the needs of the worms and all kinds of bacteria, will be a factor in doing away with gum disease, and practically all of the ailments of the orange and lemon trees. This is the substance of the statement Inspector Hodges has given out, and the announcement is considered by local ranchers to be the most important one in years in the development of the practical science of horticulture.

## FINE RESIDENCE SOLD.

F. C. Wolf Makes Transaction Where-  
in He Will Farm Large Ranch  
in Tulare County.

F. C. Wolf, a rancher who has had extensive holdings in the Covina valley, and who while here was active in the Covina Valley Farmers' club and other organizations, has sold his fine residence on Badillo avenue, and will move away from the city at once. The house was sold to F. E. Palmer of Gardena, who will move here and still become a permanent resident.

The Badillo home house is a two-story building with an arched, built-in porch, and modern lines. It has the grounds set around it, and is in a commanding location above the street. Mr. Wolf exchanged this property for the acre of about 100 in Tulare county, and will move to his ranch and live there. The Covina residence property is considered in the deal as north station.

## FIRST MAYOR IS DEAD.

The first mayor of Glendora died last Monday night J. S. Brubaker, one of the best known and well-respected men of the valley. He had been ill but two weeks with an affection of the heart, and his death was unexpected.

"Elder" Brubaker, as he was known by all the members of the Brethren church, was chosen as the first president of the newly incorporated city of Glendora only a few months ago. He was a director in the Glendora Savings and Loan bank, and was a member of the board of directors of the Ford Bros. Brethren college. He leaves a wife and seven children. All were a Glendora man, and he was a native of Nevada city, and member of the Brethren church there. His wife and children were now in Glendora. Elder W. P. England of Los Angeles preached the funeral sermon.

## VINELAND VOTES BONDS

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As a clincher of the reputation for progress that Baldwin Park has acquired in the last two years, a bond election was held in that territory Tuesday of this week, and bonds to the amount of \$15,000 were voted for the construction of a modern grammar school building. The vote stood 116 to 32 in favor of the bond issuance. Both the villages of Baldwin Park and Valley View are included in this district.

The new building will probably be built of reinforced concrete, and will be fire-proof, a building two stories in height, and containing eight rooms. It will be located just south of the Baldwin Park general grocery store and postoffice, on property between the Southern Pacific and Pacific Electric tracks. This property, to the extent of two acres, has been deeded to the school district by the Kauffman Investment company, a company which is developing a large amount of property in the vicinity.

Baldwin Park and Valley View together now send ninety scholars to the "Vineland" school. There are two teachers for the eight grades, and so crowded has the old building become that twelve of the scholars have been obliged to go to the Bassett school, which is out of the district, and one of the school trustees said recently that "no more scholars can be gotten into the old building unless they sit on the stove."

The movement for the building of this handsome school-house is only one of the progressive steps which these villages have taken of late. The Baldwin Park community has been growing rapidly through the erection of private residences, and new business has been established of several kinds. The Covina Lumber company has recently established a branch yard at this point. New concrete buildings have been built on the boulevard at the corner, and the place has taken on an up-to-the-minute and wide-awake aspect.

The members of the board of trustees of the Baldwin Park district are: W. H. Johnson, W. A. Horton and J. S. Bruce. The district is not under the jurisdiction of the Covina district, but Prof. J. J. Morgan of the Covina Union High school district, is often called in consultation, and is a provisional supervisor of the school, receiving no salary for this work. Prof. Morgan is glad to assist this growing community, and especially wishes to help in the choice of studies, as the scholars eventually come to the Covina high school for instruction. Much of the credit for the success of the progressive movement for a new school-house is due to the activity of D. J. Shultis, who is one of the "live ones" in the San Gabriel valley.

## CITRUS MEN, ATTENTION!

Secretary-Manager Powell of Citrus  
Protective League Will Speak  
Here Next Week.

Through the activity of the officers of the Covina Valley Farmers' club, G. Harold Powell, secretary-manager of the Citrus Protective League, will speak before the club on Friday, February 16, at 2:30 o'clock in the Isis theater.

This is the most important meeting of the winter, and has been arranged by the officers so that it will include every citrus rancher, or others in the valley who are interested. Secretary Jerome Reynolds said yesterday that Mr. Powell had accepted the invitation, and will be absolutely sure to be here on the date named. Manager Powell has a large number of stereopticon slides that deal with the investigation of the growing of the orange in Sicily, the Bahamas and Mediterranean countries. The pictures are very interesting to the California citrus rancher. Mr. Powell will also draw comparisons between the cost of labor and citrus raising in the two countries. The ranchers are urgently asked to be present, as it is the best program of the year.

## Public Playgrounds.

Next Monday afternoon there will be a public meeting, under the auspices of the Civic committee of the Monday Afternoon club, when the subject of a public playground will be discussed. A speaker, Dr. Everett Beach of Los Angeles, will be present. A general invitation is extended.

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## LIVE NEWS FROM VALLEY POINTS

### IRWINDALE.

Tuesday afternoon Mrs. J. B. Nichols of Compton gave one of the brightest and most helpful talks of the year to the ladies of the Irwindale Miscellany Club. Her subject being the "Relation of Household Economics to the home." On Tuesday, the twentieth, the club will spend the afternoon in Los Angeles, visiting the hospital for women and children, in which they have been interested for the past three years.

Dr. Lewis Thorpe has purchased through the agency of C. H. Coffman a fully equipped, five-passenger, forty horsepower Oakland touring car.

Mrs. L. P. Sears of Holyoke, Cal., has been spending the week as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Elledge.

Mrs. C. H. Shavely left Thursday of last week for a two weeks' visit with her daughter, Mrs. Carl Brington of South Portal.

This week Mrs. O. M. Daughman visited her brother, J. W. Smith, who is confined to a Los Angeles hospital as a result of a serious fall while employed at a creamery at Pasadena. Mr. Smith formerly made his home in this vicinity.

Miss Dorothy Brown of Los Angeles visited Miss Edna Shavely over Sunday.

Mrs. Raymond Sloan has been ill for the past week.

Mrs. U. L. Macintosh of Los Angeles and Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson of Covina, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Connor.

Mrs. Susie Armstrong has resigned her position as teacher of the Spanish school and is now teaching in Los Angeles. Miss Helen Lettow of Denver has been appointed to take her place.

Mrs. A. W. Gump left this week, in company with her brother, O. W. Binkerd, of Boston, for an extended visit in New York and the New England states, which it is hoped will improve her health.

Sunday Mr. and Mrs. B. Miller entertained Mr. and Mrs. Goldburg of Imperial valley, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Henry of Hollywood, and Mr. Frank Henry of Clinton, Iowa, while on Monday and Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Jewel Arnold of Miles City, Mont., who are spending the winter at Long Beach, were guests at the Miller home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stanley and children of Long Beach visited over the week-end with the cousins, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Nicol, and on Sunday, enjoyed an auto trip with the Nicol family to Redlands and San Bernardino.

G. T. Brown has purchased one of the finest teams of work horses in the valley. The horses weigh 3,500 pounds.

Saturday a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Amador of Orange avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. William Aschenbrenner moved a few days ago from Cypress avenue to their handsome new dwelling on Lark Ellen street.

Miss Edith Sanborn visited friends at Redondo over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brouse had with them this week their daughter, Mrs. R. A. Boyd and children of Highland.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lang entertained the following at a week-end house-party: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Beach, Miss Ella Scott, Miss Willa Scott of Los Angeles, Miss Annetta Dow and George Dow of Pittsburg.

Miss Anna Sommers of Covina, and Miss Ella Shank of Kansas, were guests of Miss Mae Coffman on Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. M. Carlsen are entertaining the latter's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. King, who with their son arrived a few days ago from Omaha, Neb., to spend the winter in Southern California.

Miss Lizzie Stilton returned Saturday from Los Angeles, where she has been visiting for the last three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Abner Miller spent Sunday visiting at Pasadena.

Miss Mary McDonald of Santa Ana, who spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Archie Vincent, left Saturday to visit in Pomona.

The Rev. Mr. Stone of Pasadena, and the Misses Elvie and Bessie Matney of Azusa, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Speer.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Scott had with them recently, their aunt, Miss Swartzball, who is visiting here from the east.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Fred Wiley are enjoying a visit from the latter's brother, C. H. Clark and wife of Ash Fork, Arizona.

W. H. Leach of Bakersfield visited Mr. and Mrs. George Rebham this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Barnett arrived this week from Earlham, Iowa, and are visiting their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Daniels.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Woodworth were guests of Los Angeles friends on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Zug, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Vincent and Mrs. Archie Vincent attended the funeral of Mrs. Sarah Cornelia Pendleton, which was held in Los Angeles Sunday. Mrs. Pendleton was the wife of Rev. William Pendleton, who was for many years a resident of this vicinity and pastor of the Holiness church, formerly located on Azusa avenue. Mrs. Pendleton, who is survived by her husband and several children, died at her Los Angeles home Thursday night. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. Yoakum of Highland Park.

F. W. Sherwood and family were released from quarantine for scarlet fever Saturday.

R. S. Edgar visited at Santa Monica over the week-end.

Alton Vincent returned last week from a short stay with his brother, Irving Vincent, of Huntington Beach.

### WEST COVINA.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Sawyer visited Dr. and Mrs. Edgar Reed of Chino the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Nichols and two children of Claremont, visited their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Wats, the latter part of last week.

Special music was furnished at the Sunday evening service at the Irwindale schoolhouse by Mr. and Mrs. Elton Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Brown of Los Angeles.

Mrs. W. E. Hart of Puente, and Mrs. John Peck of Bassett, entertained the Whist club very pleasantly Saturday evening. Music and refreshments concluded the evening. Messrs. Walter Robinson and Darius Didier were awarded prizes.

S. L. Watts and W. S. Sawyer each purchased five acre tracts of orange land, lying near the hills south of Covina, and belonging to Milton Kauffman of El Monte.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Overholzer and children, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Loughhead and their guest, Miss Carrie Loughhead of Los Angeles, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Aschenbrenner on Wednesday evening.

Miss Emma Fickewirth enjoyed the week-end with Los Angeles friends.

Sunday guests at the home of W. V. Colwell and family were: Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Lowery and daughter of Pasadena, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Parker and children of Whittier and Dr. A. J. Mott of Los Angeles.

W. J. Wells of Pleasant Hill, Ill., visited Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hart this week.

Charles Hotchkiss and wife of Buffalo, N. Y., are visiting their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Hotchkiss.

Mr. and Mrs. William Aschenbrenner of Lark Ellen avenue and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Blanchard and children of Covina were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Overholzer.

G. W. Freeman returned Tuesday to his home at Orange, after spending four days at the home of his son, E. G. Freeman.

E. J. Mead spent Saturday and Sunday with his mother at Long Beach.

W. S. Sawyer is serving as a juror in department seven of the superior court.

### BALDWIN PARK.

The Brotherhood of American Yeomen organized a local lodge Saturday evening at a meeting held at the Women's Club House. H. A. Miller, Pacific Coast manager, and his wife, and Mr. and Mrs. William Watson of the Boyle Heights lodge, and other Los Angeles members, were present to instruct the twelve charter members of the organization. Meetings will be held each Saturday night.

Lawrence, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Mendes Ames of San Dimas, was taken ill Sunday while visiting with his parents at the home of H. A. Ames and wife.

Supervisor Manning and wife visited this place last week, the former being engaged in overseeing the improvement of the roads of the community.

Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Power and children are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Power.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Murray of Los Angeles have been visiting the latter's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Angel, for several days.

Lawrence Well, who has also been at the Angel home for sometime, returned to her new home in Los Angeles.

Telephones have recently been installed at the Baldwin Park lumber yard, and at the home of Mr. Henry Till.

Mrs. Andrew Danta visited her brother at San Pedro the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Case of Pomona were Sunday guests at the J. F. Power home.

Mrs. Henry Till has been confined to her home by illness for the past two weeks.

Miss Sara Heath visited at Venice on Friday and Saturday of last week.

### CHARTER OAK.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Kent were Mrs. H. C. Mathie of Palatine, Ill.

Miss Edith Stevens of Pomona was the guest of friends here this week.

Mrs. W. O. Taylor and daughter, Marjory, of Long Beach, are guests of the former's sister, Mrs. J. W. Halpin.

The members of the Tennis club were entertained this week by Chas. McCoy.

Mrs. R. H. Rowland is very seriously ill and is attended by her daughter, Mrs. Roy Fairchild of Pasadena. Mrs. Peterson, a former schoolmate of Mrs. Rowland, is visiting at the home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Halpin visited friends in Inglewood on Sunday, attending the theater in Los Angeles in the evening.

Mrs. W. P. Lyman is ill with pneumonia, and her two young children with typhoid fever, necessitating the attendance of two trained nurses.

Mrs. R. H. Middleton pleasantly entertained the Ladies' Thimble club on Wednesday afternoon, serving a very daintily-prepared luncheon. Much to the hostess' surprise, the members had learned that they were invited on an anniversary occasion, and presented her with a beautiful cut-glass present.

Mrs. Walter Hughes delightfully entertained the Five Hundred club on Tuesday evening.

Recent Los Angeles guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Collins were: Mr. and Mrs. R. Southland, Hector MacKenzie, and Miss Gillis, assistant superintendent of the county hospital.

### PUENTE.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Morris and family have returned to their Puente ranch home, after spending nearly a year at Van Nuys.

Miss Cecelia Cross entertained Miss Esther Pratt at her home during her week-end visit on last Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Rambaud attended a French opera at the auditorium, Los Angeles, Saturday evening.

Small tracts on the new 1200-acre subdivision of the Baldwin estate are rapidly being sold by the Purcell, Gray & Gale Co.

The dance held in the El Monte hall Saturday evening, by the Bachelor Girls' club of that place, was a success both socially and financially. Puente society was well represented.

The Covina Home Telephone company has agreed to install an exchange here in consideration that Puente citizens will purchase stock to the value of \$10,000. George E. Cross reports having already received nearly \$2,000 from interested citizens and many more Puente boosters are now considering the investment.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Bell were visitors at the La Puente Rancho one day this week.

W. S. Dodson and George Davidson, proprietors of the Puente barber shop and pool room, have been busily engaged the past two weeks making extensive improvements on their building. They have installed a fine new cigar stand and candy case.

Mr. and Mrs. George Carpenter, formerly of Covina and now residing at the Dauer ranch, are the proud parents of a new eight and one-half pound baby girl, born Friday, February 2.

### VALLEY VIEW.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Desmond entertained this week Mrs. Osmond's father, Mr. Turner, of Seattle, Washington.

Seven new members were admitted to the Valley View Improvement society at the meeting held Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Pierce. The next meeting will be held next Monday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Lovell of Center street.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Jones returned late last week from Whittier, where the funeral of their infant son was held.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Mason of Los Angeles visited at the J. F. Hebel home a few days ago.

Mr. and Mrs. John Miller spent Sunday at San Dimas as the guests of C. D. Foresman and family.

Mrs. Fields of Los Angeles is visiting her home on Walnut street for a few days.

## High School Items

Muriel Sherwood of the senior class, who has been sick with scarlet fever for the past month, has recovered, and returned to school last Monday. Her friends are all glad to see her back again.

The high school has added to the library by the purchase of the wonderful "Photographic History of the Civil War." This work will be of great value to the students in the study of the terrible war.

The Caesar and Virgil classes, under the direction of Miss Price, will present a Latin play on February 22. The performance will be given entirely in Latin, and will be very interesting. A small charge will be made, and the money realized will be turned over to the student body.

Saturday, February 3, was a bitter day for the pupils who attend the El Monte high school. The Covina girls played the El Monte girls at El Monte in the third league game and our team won, by the one-sided but glorious score of 33 to 3. The three were presented to El Monte as a consolation. The game places Covina in first place, tied with our old rivals, Citrus.

While the girls were winning in basketball, the boys swamped El Monte in baseball, by the overwhelming score of 13 to 0. Phillee pitched splendid ball for Covina, and struck out thirteen men. El Monte gathered only three hits off his delivery. The Covina boys put up a good fielding game, but were weak at the stick. Wilson, however, slammed the ball over the barn for a long homer. The hit was the longest ever made on the high-school grounds.

The baseball team will give a weight social on February 16. The people will be charged a quarter of a cent for every pound of their weight. In this way the boys expect to raise enough money to pay for their suits. A program is being arranged, and will have some good acts. Reeves Eason will sing, Bill Wilson will have an act, and Earl Phillee and Marjorie Capron will give a farce. A special orchestra will furnish music.

The juniors and seniors will combine this year and give a play together. "Esmeralda" is the play which will be given. This play achieved great success at the Madison Square theater, New York, running 350 nights. It is a comedy-drama in four acts, and was written by Mrs. Burnett and William Gillett. The leading role will be taken by Earl Phillee of the senior class. Many musical features will be introduced, and the production promises to be one of the most successful of the performances ever staged by the high school.

Today the baseball team will play Pomona on our grounds. "Babe" Danzig, and Chris Mahoney of the Sacramento team, are wintering in Pomona and will umpire. Phillee and Eason will be Covina's battery. This will be a difficult game, and we hope a big crowd will turn out.

San Fernando has withdrawn from the basketball league, so that Covina will have no game today. Next Saturday at Azusa, they will play Citrus, to see who keeps first place.

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## Military Band For Covina Is Organized

A military band, for both concert and marching purposes, has been organized, to be known as the "Covina Military Band." It embraces practically all the experienced brass and reed instrument players in this section of the valley, and in one sense, is the outcome of the brass band training which has been given the scholars in the Covina High school. It is an advanced organization, made up of those scholars who have graduated from the school, and others who have received training and experience in other places before coming here.

The band was organized last Thursday night, at a meeting in the Covina Union high school building, when members of the Azusa band were present to give their assistance and good-will to the enterprise. Every feature of this organization seems to spell success, and all citizens who have been told of the step taken by the young men, have been enthusiastic. The band will undoubtedly be a fine practical and social asset of the city and country as a whole.

Ward A. Hays, proprietor of the haberdashery store on Citrus avenue, who recently came here, has been made president of the organization; G. Fred Preston, manager; Edward Walters, secretary and treasurer; R. W. Groom, director. A rehearsal was held Tuesday evening of this week, in the old high school building, now used as a grammar school. There were twenty-four players present. Prof. Groom tried out the new organization on march music, and his prediction that these men would immediately get into line for practical work in concert and military music, was shown by the readiness in which the numbers were handled. Every member is an advanced player, and it only remains with Prof. Groom to drill the band for a number of months, when they will be ready to do work, both in the concert hall and on the street at the head of parades.

One of the features of organizing a band in this valley, is the fact that a similar organization is being directed by Prof. Groom at Azusa, and is a band which is coming along rapidly in every way. The Covina band will make it a point to help out the Azusa musicians when a concert is put on in that town, and the Azusa aggregation has signified its intention of doing the same when the Covina band is ready to do public work. With the material which is at hand in the two towns, some fine work can be counted upon.

The Covina Military band will be an assistance to the city at all times when some public entertainment is being given; it will be ready at all times to play concerts in the "Rest Gardens" on Badillo avenue, for the benefit of the people, and there will be many occasions when the band will be found to be a fine asset when the city and country is united on some festival.

Already, prominent ranchers and business men of Covina city and country have signified their intention of supporting the organization. The band will be suitably uniformed, with some striking design distinctive of the orange-raising community, and will be the finest kind of an advertisement in parades that are held in the surrounding cities. Prof. Groom says that he can make this band a marching organization that will beat anything in Southern California, and will bring home credit from festa parades, carnivals and political rallies.

On the night of the organization of the band, the following men became members: Mark Custer, piccolo; Clarence Fabrick, E-flat clarinet; G. Fred Preston, b-flat clarinet; Lloyd Hodges, b-flat clarinet; Walter Hopper, alto saxophone; Edward Walters, Boyd King, Selden Wilson, George Clegmiles, Joseph Poe, cornets; Charles Walters, Carroll Pitts, Roy Blanchard, James Koch, alto horns; Ward A. Hays, Roy Goodell, slide trombones; A. Morgan, Sam Scofield, baritone; George Burdick, Tony Daley, E-flat tubas; Will Wyeth, snare drum; Carl Crenshaw, bass drum and cymbals.

## Theatrical Notes

Get Rich Quick Wallingford.

The one tremendous comedy success of the American stage today is Geo. M. Cohan's "Get Rich Quick Wallingford," a play based upon the popular stories that have been appearing in the Saturday Evening Post and other magazines, and adapted for the stage by the famous Yankee-Doodle comedian. This attraction, which broke all records by running two seasons in New York and an entire year in Chicago, where it was proclaimed the greatest comedy success in the history of the American stage, has just made its bow to the people of the Pacific coast by appearing in San Francisco, where it is now packing the Colubia theater at every performance, and where the critics and playgoers have agreed that all the praise heaped upon it in the east was more than deserved. It is coming direct to the Mason opera house for a week beginning Monday evening, February 12, with matinees on Wednesday and Saturday, and it will appear nowhere in Southern California except in Los Angeles.

The laughter that greets this play at every performance has never before been heard in any playhouse, and added to the humor, life and satire of the story there is a serious undercurrent—a message of inspiration and achievement. Besides, Cohan and Harris have sent out here the entire original production and the same large and perfect cast which figured in the long Chicago run, and there is a treat indeed in store for the thousands who are planning to enjoy the performance in Los Angeles.

The reading public is familiar with the character of J. Rufus Wallingford, that ingenious modern rogue who goes through life upon the theory that there is a "sucker" born every minute and that every gullible mortal is his legitimate prey. Cohan has taken this character, and many others from the popular stories, added many of his own creation, and woven around them a play that for laughter of the hale and hearty sort, human nature and keen satire is without an equal on these stage today. Indeed, the attraction has everywhere been proclaimed the dramatic comedy gem of the generation.

Pantages.

A program that reports from "Up North" declare to be the best vaudeville show ever seen in the west, is promised Pantages patrons for the week commencing with next Monday's matinee.

The Marco Twins, with their Mutt and Jeff comedy, are listed. These two are so nearly to being that prototypes of the much-cartooned pair that it would almost seem that the cartoonist had used them as models for his merry imaginings. Since last here they have added a long list of "Muttisms" to their hilarious hodge-podge.

Those who saw the sensational slack wire act of Mijares with the Ringling circus last summer, will be astounded at the announcement that Mijares will give the same performance on the vaudeville stage. For the information of those who know not Mijares it may be said that he performs on a slack wire which covers forty feet in its swing. Among other hair-raising feats he throws somersaults, and climbs up, over and down a ladder balanced on the wire swinging like a great pendulum above the stage and out over the orchestra.

Willard Mack and Maud Leone are the dramatic stars of the occasion. Both are well known in the legitimate drama. "The Getaway," written by Mr. Mack, will be found one of the most sensationally interesting playlets ever produced. It tells of a "social highway" who, with his wife

and brother-in-law as accomplices, has made many raids on multi-millionaire society. The trio have been regularly "shaken down" by a police captain for a share of the plunder, and to maintain this source of revenue, have been persistently driven back to criminal life from their attempts to live honestly. The incident developed in the playlet is the final and successful effort of the trio to get away from their life of crime.

Guadelupa is a hand balancer and contortionist well known to the circus world. While it is not in accordance with vaudeville tradition to have two acrobatic numbers on one program, everyone who sees this show will agree that Mr. Pantages made no mistake when he added Guadelupa to this bill.

Aubria Rich, the magnetic little marvel, sings character songs, opera and ragtime. Both she and her songs are as good as are made. Little Miss Rich is predicted for the favorite of the week in spite of the competition of her famous rivals.

The Georgia Trio, three white men in burnt cork, are singers, dancers and comedians who do "fifteen minutes in the street." The "street" is the one regularly seen at Pantages, but the singing, dancing and jokes of the Georgians were never seen or heard there before.

## GRAND OPERA HOUSE.

Fifth and Final Week of "The Campus."

"The Campus," Walter De Leon's remarkably successful musical play of college life, will enter upon its fifth and final week at the Grand opera house Sunday afternoon at the matinee performance. Following "The Campus" the management of the Grand opera house announces the first production on any stage of a brand new musical comedy from the pen of Mr. De Leon. Those who have been privileged to witness rehearsals of the new production declare it to be better even than "The Campus" and predict for it greater success than has been enjoyed by "The Campus."

Every theatrical record has been broken by "The Campus." Its run something new in stock company history. The revival for weeks ago started off with capacity houses and that business has been kept up. The two hundredth performance was celebrated in gala style last Friday night. Such a record is envied even by the biggest New York success. It is certainly something to boast about when any piece can play to capacity in Los Angeles for over 200 performances, duplicating the success of New York attractions. Were "The Campus" unworthy it could not make such a record. But it is worthy and could be continued indefinitely at the Grand were it not that the management wishes to make the new production at once.

With but one exception the cast will be the same Sunday afternoon as that which has played "The Campus" so long. The change is in the character of "Fat" Roscoe Arbuckle, who played the role on the road will succeed Robert Leonard for the week in order that Mr. Leonard may take a well-earned rest. Ferris Hartman, Joseph Fogarty, Walter De Leon, Lawrence Bowes, Oliver Le Noir, Charles Dudley, Miss Jose Hart, Miss "Muggins" Davies, Miss Myrtle Dingwall and all the other Hartman favorites will be in the cast as usual. Matinees will begin Tuesday and Saturday. Seats for the new production to follow "The Campus" will go on sale at the Grand box office Thursday morning.

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Each afternoon will be given over to some special topic. One day will be given up to smudging for frost prevention, another to marketing fruit, another to fertilization, one to fumigating and other preventive work.

Each of these topics will be handled by men who have a high standing in their respective fields, and the addresses should attract the attention of fruit growers in general who attend the Columbia theater at every performance.

The names of the principal speakers will be announced soon. The meetings will be of an informal character and are designed to get the greatest possible good for the growers. Aside from one or two main addresses each morning, the gatherings will be conducted as a symposium in which all present may take part and give their experience in the general subject under discussion.

The growers from all over the orange growing districts are urged to attend these meetings. As the time for the National Orange Show draws near it gives promise of being the greatest citrus fruit exposition ever held.

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others will join them soon, so that you can make all your cash purchases at stores making this attractive form of a cash discount. They think it will help keep trade at home and save them the expense of putting purchases on the books.

It will not take long—perhaps not more than a month—to trade out \$100 worth at the Covina stores giving these checks. Then you can take your book to the Covina Valley Savings Bank and receive a regular bank book with \$2.50 marked in it.

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## RISE FROM DEADLY LEVELS.

There have been times when Schuman-Heink was a bit on the outs with the leader of the orchestra, because she would take certain liberties with the music. In her interpretation of a song, she sometimes ignores certain notes and emphasizes others to a length that was not laid down in the printed score. The concert-master will say, along with other great sticklers for regularity, that Schumann-Heink is a great singer in spite of these faults, and not because of any assistance these seeming digressions may lend to her art.

Whatever is true, there is one thing sure—the singer is a greater artist than the concert-master, great artist as he may be. Rules in music were laid down to be followed only when personal genius could not supply a better way. It is, of course, not possible for a soloist to suddenly break out in a strange interpretation, without warning the ensemble of musicians in front, but even this flagrancy has been done with wonderful effect. And, to complain that the singer, having once digressed at a certain point, will digress perhaps at the same point in another way at another time, has been the prerogative of the instrumentalists, and the food for criticism for the stickling critics.

When Schuman-Heink sings, for instance, "The Lord Is Mindful," there are a number of notes that she sings. She does not give them the length that the composer did. Homer, a great American contralto soloist, in singing the same song, sings it exactly as it is written. Yet, while Homer pleases the critical mind, the German prima donna wins the soul of the listener by her wonderful interpretation.

It is as idle to talk of slavish allegiance to the work of the composer, as it is to say that we must not add or detract from the religion of our fathers, or from the science of Galileo, or the inventions of Robert Fulton. The careful and the slavish in all walks of life remain on the level of slavishness. They are the sons and daughters of Martha, who obey. True, we can avoid the mistakes made by great geniuses. Also, we must not stifle the individual power that makes genius.

## ROWLAND AVENUE.

Just outside the city limits on the south, is Rowland avenue, sometimes known as "Double avenue," a fairly wide street, bisected by a row of magnificent eucalyptus trees. Somebody, years ago, planted these trees, and also planted palms, fir trees, and other ornamental shrubs between the eucalyptus trees. Perhaps the original idea was to cull out the undesirable shrubs when they grow had become larger, but this has never been done, at least with any success.

Today, this line of trees is robbed of much of its beauty because no care has been taken to beautify. The little sickly palms have been crowded between the great gum trees, and are half dead. The fir trees are scraggly, and long ago gave up hope of competing with the lusty-growing gum trees. Fires have been built near this row at times, and the palms have been burned, only to continue to live with a small spark of vitality.

The county has jurisdiction over this avenue, and for this reason no attempt is made to aid in beautifying. The county officials say it is hard enough to get an appropriation for oil for the street, and the street testifies to this fact.

When a suggestion is made in public print, it is generally the outcome that whoever might be interested has a feeling that the criticism is unwarranted, or that it is not the province of the newspaper to find fault. This suggestion is written with the idea that perhaps before long, interested citizens, who wish to increase the attractiveness of their property, will see the practical need of some landscape work on Rowland avenue. The Chamber of Commerce might find this to be a good thing to champion, or the Monday Afternoon club, which has many members outside of the city. We can make this street as attractive as Magnolia avenue in Riverside, or the splendid boulevard in Corona. In dollars and cents, it is worth while to do it, if the appeal cannot be made in any other way.

## THE CALM BEFORE THE STORM.

Someone has said that the sincere expression of a hope is a prayer, and if this be true, mayhap it is the reason why it has not rained on Southern California to amount to anything this year. For the state is crowded with happy tourists, who scribble post-cards in every hotel lobby, saying unto the people that dwell in the east: "Oh, the weather is divine out here; it never rains, and we have been everywhere, and had such a good time. I do hope it won't rain before we have to start for home." On every side doth this sincere prayer arise.

While also, sitteth the rancher, gazing out over the fields that would be growing grain if it would rain, and his hope is as strong in the other direction. Meantime, the rain neither falls on the just nor the unjust—just doesn't rain. What is food for one is poison for another. It is small consolation to the rancher to know that the bright days of sunshine are advertising the climate to every state in the union. He knows that if the bright sunshine should continue for several years, the land would not be attractive to the tourist.

But the Covina orange rancher is more philosophical about it this year, for he knows that the irrigating company has prepared for drought, and that a year of dry weather will not affect him. Pumping plants have been placed where they draw the life-blood to the surface, the water that has been stored in the underground channels in flood-time.

Lincoln said that you couldn't please all the people all the time, and this is an exemplification of it. The country is unusually dry this year, and wherever the irrigation companies do not operate, the land looks parched, and the verdure is not verdant, but dry grass and withered leaf.

Perhaps it will rain before these thoughts are read by the public. And in that case, we will consider this article as a prayer that has been answered.

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We can establish a new national character in California if we will. Ten years has made almost a complete change in California methods. We are no longer advertising tide-covered lands for alfalfa farming, nor sending out pictured prospectuses of ships sailing up the San Gabriel river. We must go farther than this, and teach each other, compel each other, to be STRICTLY HONEST in advertising things for sale.

Last week, in Los Angeles, at the Hotel Alexandria, a small body of advertising men gathered to discuss the promotion of a new law, or the resurrection of an old one, making it unlawful and punishable, to advertise fraudulently and employ fraudulent, misleading and false statements. This band of men will awaken the great selling public to the need for honesty. We have no doubt. Just as we have gradually learned that the biggest sucker stung in a fraudulent deal is ourselves, so will we learn to go the whole way, and make all advertising honest, and with honest advertising will come without assistance, the higher integrity of the California business world.

Completely surrounded by splendid orange groves," was the caption of an advertisement which attracted many, and it concerned a piece of land in the center of the state. It was true. Fine orchards were everywhere about this tract of land, but the strip offered for sale was "poisoned land," a canker in the soil, a piece of alkali, upon which cactus was sickly and discouraged. Misleading statements hurt this great state. The wholly false advertisement has in reality disappeared, but there is the need for laws prohibiting the advertisement that carries the "half-truth," the misrepresented thing without being criminally liable. These advertising men wish to make the profession a more honorable one.

Again, the Argus repeats, that we can establish a new character in this state, taking as we have, the best men and women from every state in the union. The tendency is strongly toward a finer brand of integrity. Laws governing publicity should be made and enforced, and this newspaper will welcome such a law, and will abide within the law.

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"The advertising certainly brought the trade to our store during the past week."—H. C. Moody, manager for W. Q. Custer, of the Covina Furniture company.

"We got fine results from the special advertising in the Argus last week."—W. G. Hall, proprietor of the former F. H. Fabrick Hardware store.

"We had all the business we could attend to after putting in that half-page advertisement in the Argus last week. The people read our ads, and it brings us business."—H. W. & I. Ham of the Leader Department store.

The day of the country store has gone by in Covina, and the people are patronizing the Covina stores because the stores are carrying the stock and giving better values than the people can get elsewhere. The whole atmosphere of the business street has been changed in the last two years. No longer are the merchants making any statements about the trade going away from them to Los Angeles. The merchants have stopped a large part of this foreign trade, and it has been due to several causes—the merchants are carrying larger and more diversified stocks—they are advertising more liberally—they are making the stores more attractive—and the people have discovered that they gener-

ally get "stung" when they buy goods of any kind in Los Angeles.

W. B. Broadwell, the largest general merchandise man in the Covina valley, said this week that his trade had increased so materially during the past year, he had been obliged to enlarge his store and add a basement department. Further, he says that he will have to make other changes right away, to accommodate the trade. Mr. Broadwell is optimistic about the next few years of business in the valley.

"I have seen the growth of the country towns of California," he said yesterday, "and I know there is always a turning point, when these towns begin to turn over from a country village to that of enterprising little cities. We have seen this thing happen all around us. It is just what is happening right now in Covina. We have more and better merchants here than in the past. There is a better spirit among them, and the stores are up-to-the-minute and filled with as good stock as the stores of Los Angeles. I feel that the street work has had a great deal to do with the increase in prosperity, and I want to say that the Argus advertising has been one of the biggest factors in building up this trade."

Some of the stores are still continuing the special sales during the coming week. The outlying districts, such as West Covina, Irwindale, Charter Oak and Baldwin Park are contributing largely to the trade in the stores.

## "Raising Oranges Costs \$2.27 Per Box"—Powell

The Citrus Protective league, of Los Angeles, Cal., of which G. Harold Powell is secretary and manager, has been for some time collecting very complete and exhaustive data from orange growers in California covering various items of cost of production. The figures have been obtained with a great deal of not only painstaking effort but expert supervision and show in detail the cultural cost of producing oranges in California on 271 groves comprising 8,995.9 acres. These were selected from typical areas. The data do not include depreciation on the groves, buildings, stock, machinery, tools, irrigation plant or other equipment, or interest on the investment. Investment in an orange grove represents approximately \$1,000 per acre, and the investment in equipment about \$60 per acre. The Citrus Protective league has just issued the results of these investigations and shows in detail in one table the cost of labor per acre required to produce a crop of oranges in 1910, and in a second table the figures are given showing the cultural cost of materials necessary to produce oranges on these same ranches during that year.

The cost of labor per acre includes plowing and cultivating, pruning, irrigation, fumigation, fumigating labor and materials where not segregated, spraying, spreading of fertilizer, other tree care, superintendence, administration, and accounts not otherwise segregated. No allowance has been made for superintendence and administration except on places where these items have been actually paid for. The average cultural cost of labor including all these items was found to be \$52.82 per acre for the year of 1910. This ranged in individual cases from \$14.90 per acre in an 8-acre grove where no expense is listed for pruning, fumigating labor or materials, spraying, superintendence, administration or miscellaneous items, to \$144.03 per acre in a grove of 56 acres.

The average cultural cost of materials per acre is \$33.24; this is more than half again as much as the cost of the labor. The materials include chemical fertilizer, barnyard manure, water, fumigation, forage and grain, taxes, maintenance and repairs, insurance premiums, frost protection and incidentals. Adding together the cost of materials and labor we have \$126.06 as the total average annual expense per acre involved in the production of a crop of oranges. To obtain the net profits it would be necessary to add to this expense the depreciation of the equipment and the interest on the investment, and sub-

tract this whole amount from the sum received for the crop of fruit per acre.

Those who contemplate embarking in the business of orange growing can calculate that while this amount of \$126.06 is the average cost per acre, good management, or favorable circumstances may reduce this cost materially while unbusinesslike methods may run it up to double or more than double the average.

Another table shows the average annual yield of oranges per acre in packed boxes from 1906-7 to 1910-11. The record includes not less than 2,000 groves of different sizes and cultural treatment aggregating 16,000 to 26,000 acres per year, and covers every important orange growing section of the state. It is found from this table that the average annual yield for the five-year period is 157.6 packed boxes per acre. As the average annual cost of materials and labor is \$126.06 per acre it appears that the annual average cultural cost of producing the fruit in the field is \$0.8633 per packed box.

The cost of picking, hauling the fruit from the grove to the packing house, packing the fruit (including labor, materials and all other expenses involved), and of loading on the car, is shown in another table, based upon the crop of 1910-11. These expenses from the tree to the car average \$0.4304 per packed box. Adding this amount to the cultural cost of \$0.8633 we find that the average f.o.b. cost of a box of California oranges is \$1.2937.

In a summary of the cost of producing oranges in California, the further expenses which the grower must sustain are given:

|                                       | Per box  |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Cultural cost                         | \$0.8633 |
| Cost of picking, hauling and packing  | 4304     |
| Cost of freight                       | 328      |
| Average cost of refrigeration 1910-11 | 0789     |
| Average cost of selling               | .070     |

Total cost per box laid down in the market \$2.2706

The average number of oranges of all varieties per box is approximately 12 1-2 dozen. The average wholesale cost of California oranges laid down in the markets of the United States, based on the cost of production, cost of transportation and cost of selling is therefore \$0.181 per dozen. This does not include interest or the owner's time nor any profit.—California Fruit Grower.

## RAILROAD GETS BUSY.

Will Build Badillo Avenue Strip of Street at Once—Registration Matter Is Settled.

A representative of the Pacific Electric Railroad company was before the members of the Covina city council on Tuesday night, and stated that the work of macadamizing and asphaltting Badillo avenue between the car tracks would be started by his company within two weeks. Because of this promise, the city council will not proceed at once to take the matter out of the hands of the railroad. The railroad company has delayed so long in fixing this strip of road, that the council felt justified in proceeding to do the work and charging the cost to the company. The company will be given the opportunity to lay down the work, providing it is done as promised.

An opinion was given to the council by City Attorney A. M. Pence, relating to the matter of registration. The city election, when members of the board will be elected, will take place on April 8th. All persons who registered for the bond election when the sewer was voted, will still be eligible to vote at the Spring election, but everyone must be on the register in order to vote.

Some confusion has been caused because of the announcement that all persons would have to sign again on the register after January first. Although it is not necessary to do so in order to vote at the city election, it will be just as well for everyone to register at once, as they will then be

eligible to vote at the presidential primaries and general election. In order to be a voter at these primaries this precaution must be taken.

## ACROSS THE DESERTS.

Desire to Find a Home Brings Two American Families in Wagons From Salt Lake.

Oliver Lamb and George Omstead, two Americans with the wanderlust, brought their wives and families into Covina this week in a prairie schooner, drawn by dejected-looking horses and mules. The outfit has had a remarkable experience.

Lamb and Omstead-outfitted in Salt Lake City and started to make the trek to California. They passed through Utah, Arizona, Nevada, Mexico, New Mexico and California, and were several days without water and food in the Arizona desert. The same horses that were bought in Salt Lake were hitched to the wagons when they drove into Covina, heads down, tired, stupid with fatigue. When asked whether they were bound, Omstead said:

"We don't know where we are going. We are looking for a place where we can get a little land, and make an honest living."

"They camped on a vacant Covina lot, and bought a few things at the stores. In the morning they were gone."

F. J. Williams motored to Riverside on Saturday morning with his son, Bobbie, and spent the week-end at his ranch there.

## Lose Your Money and It's Gone

But if you lose your check book, we will give you another. In this, lies the safety of paying all bills with bank checks. Your money is secure with us, yet ready to use as you require it.

You are tempting the hold-up man so long as you carry a roll of bills. Better keep your cash in this bank and rest easy.

## The Covina National Bank

CAPITAL, SURPLUS AND PROFIT, \$60,000.00.

DR. J. D. REED, Pres.

J. H. COOLMAN, Vice-Pres.

V. O. ENGLISH, Cashier.

## PRESCRIPTIONS

WHEN the doctor prescribes he expects the druggist to fill the prescriptions with pure drugs. There is no part of our business which does not receive its full share of attention. Have the doctor's prescription filled here and the result will be satisfactory.

The Quality of Our Drugs, Medicines and Toilet Goods is Not Unsurpassed.

W. W. NASH  
PRESCRIPTION DRUGGIST

Covina

California

## LOOK! LISTEN

If you want to see that nice new AUTO Laundry Delivery Wagon, just drop a card to Lorbeer Bros., Pomona Steam Laundry, the ablest and most up-to-date laundrymen in the valley, and tell them to call for your laundry or give you the price on work. We call Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Work strictly up-to-date.

## POMONA STEAM LAUNDRY

## The Argus

## Charges In Advance For All Liner Advertising

Please bear this in mind, and accompany all advertising of this nature with remittance to cover.

## Figure 5 Cents a Line In Advance Figure Six Written Words to a Line

If, for any good reason it is impossible to remit with the advertisement, we will run the same for one insertion at a minimum charge of 25 cents.

## Want Ads are Payable in Advance

## Traveling Too Fast.

G. W. Tmomsen, a well-known citrus rancher of Citrus avenue, has found that there are at least two kinds of automobile trouble that can happen to him. He left his machine at Dolgeville several days ago, as it refused to come back to Covina when he tried to start it, and the other day he took Frank Bisbee, the official automobile physician and surgeon of the Covina valley, over to Dolgeville to prescribe for the machine.

While on the way to Dolgeville, the two men encountered a speed officer, who told them they were exceeding the speed limit. Mr. Tmomsen did not think so, but the speed cop insisted, and Mr. Tmomsen gracefully paid the penalties that were set by the court.

## Baldwin Park Briefs.

Among the sales reported this week in the Baldwin Park district is that of four acres on Los Angeles street to Robert Taylor of Covina, for \$1600. Mr. Taylor buys this vacant land with the idea of putting it immediately into cultivation. The sale was made through D. J. Shultis.

E. B. Kurtz of Baldwin Park has let a contract to plant ten acres of vacant land to citrus fruits. The property is situated on Maine avenue. Robert Edgar is making arrangements to plant ten acres of land to citrus fruits. This land is situated on the county boulevard.

The ladies of the Baldwin Park Woman's club will give a dance on February 17, for the benefit of the new clubhouse.

## Local Events.

Nash's cold tablets are "making good." Nash guarantees them.

Mrs. L. W. Miller of Pasadena spent last week-end with Miss Alice Wynne.

Sam and Abel Trout spent last Sunday with friends in Long Beach.

Serve your guest Puritan butter. She will stay longer.

Warner, Whitsel & Co.

Alec Anderson, book-keeper for the Covina Fruit Exchange was ill for a few days this week.

Mrs. Austin Warner is entertaining cousins from Cleveland, Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Durtost.

Mrs. S. L. Spencer is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Marion C. Coltrin of Ontario.

Look prosperous at little expense. We have the combination at the Covina Dye Works.

Mrs. J. N. Hurst extended the hospitality of Buckeye ranch to the Sierra avenue Needle club yesterday afternoon.

B. S. Casey of Rialto, a member of the present grand jury in San Bernardino county, was a visitor in Covina this week.

Suits made to order. Do you want to join a suit club? Call and see Ward A. Hays at the haberdashery store on Citrus avenue.

Mrs. Ella Z. Grow, who has just returned from a long visit in northern parts of the state, spent the week-end with her daughter, Mrs. Will Lavayea.

Miss Nayo Boykin, who has been making her home with Mme. Phone White and family for several months, moved a few days ago to Long Beach.

Dalberd, the four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Smith, is recuperating from an attack of typhoid pneumonia.

Mrs. West, who has been with her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Groover, for several weeks, is now visiting relative at San Gabriel.

Tastes like it came from the old stone milk-house on the farm. Good any place you use it—Puritan butter.

Warner, Whitsel & Co.

Mrs. C. N. Reed of Modjeska Park is spending a few days with Mrs. H. M. Houser. Mrs. Adair of Long Beach, who has been her guest for some time, returned home on Wednesday.

John Daniels of Workman and Azusa avenues, who is ill with blood poisoning, is considered to be out of danger, though still in the care of a trained nurse.

Thomas F. Griswold has been quite ill at his home on Citrus avenue. He contracted a severe cold, which settled on his lungs. He was reported yesterday as being better.

Shoes that carry style that makes the rest of your person look right—the Crawford shoe—at the Hays Clothing company on Citrus avenue—from \$3.25 to \$5.00.

Mrs. John Koch entertained at her new home on E. Badillo avenue last Friday afternoon, the guests being Mesdames W. W. Nash, A. R. Colt, J. A. Moorhead, Frank Houser, Beville Adair of Long Beach, H. M. Houser.

Guests entertained this week by Mr. and Mrs. A. Heagy were: Mr. and Mrs. James Hill and children of Riverside, Mrs. Thomas DeHoff of Anderson, Indiana, and Mrs. John Baker of Long Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Showalter and Mrs. F. L. Hopper were guests two days last week of Mrs. Kate Moomaw of Lordsburg, while attending the bible school which was in session at the time.

Dr. O. P. Shoemaker made a trip to Riverside this week in his new Ford machine. He says that the roads between Covina and the famous Mission City are excellent for automobiles.

Acid formation—decomposition of food particles—should be prevented. Cleanse the teeth with Nydentia Cream—it goes into crevices of the teeth, dissolves the particles and prevents fermentation—decidedly anti-septic.

The Fill-A-Gap society of the Baptist church held its monthly meeting Tuesday evening in the church parlors. There were forty members present, and after the business session, an hour of pleasant entertainment was enjoyed.

On Wednesday evening an enjoyable party was held at the home of Mrs. Martha Hirsch, in honor of the son, Cecil, who was celebrating a birthday. Many little folks were present to make the evening a pleasant one.

Fifty were present at the Leap Year social given last Saturday evening by the Philathea class of the Presbyterian church, the Baraca class being guests of honor. The decorations, games, and refreshments were in keeping with the mock "proposals" which constituted the chief fun of the evening.

The pupils of Miss Mabel White held a very pleasant afternoon this week at the home of Mrs. J. E. Heath. The young people are known as the Orpheus club, and numbers for the piano were rendered by Marie Nelson, Lucille Matthews, Genevieve Matthews, Kenneth Goodell, Mary Goodwin, Leta Nash, Audrey Wolfarth.

Crimson hearts, which, with Cupid's arrows and other love-lorn symbols, reminiscent of the valentine season, danced and twinkled in countless festoons in the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Coolman, Thursday night. It was a valentine Five Hundred party, given by the hostess, and the same color and decorative scheme was carried out in red flowers, refreshments and all the dainty accessories. Those present were: Messrs. and Mesdames J. A. Peters, Chas. Paige, H. L. Tripp, W. W. Nash, P. L. Nash, F. E. Dudderar, C. S. Berry, C. D. Griffiths, W. C. Merwin, C. H. Wedgewood, Miss H. L. Davis and Miss Geiger.

## DON'T GET WET

Get under one of our wagon umbrellas. Special, \$1.25.

### COVINA HARNESS & IMPLEMENT CO.

PHONE 29

Wanted to clean. One thousand suits at the Covina Dye Works. If Colonial supper, sale and entertainment at Presbyterian church Feb. 22, Covina Dye Works means clothes economy in its strictest sense.

Valentine post-cards, one cent up. Covina Book Store.

Albert Shearer is spending a few weeks in Modesto, where he has extensive land interests.

Miss Marian Ennis of Lyons, N. Y., has arrived to visit her aunt, Mrs. Ennis.

Chicken pie and all the "fixins" at the colonial supper, Feb. 22, at Presbyterian church.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Peters and son have returned from a pleasant week's sojourn at Ocean Park.

Aprons, rugs, bags and bon bons at colonial sale, Feb. 22, at Presbyterian church.

Colonial entertainment at Presbyterian church, Feb. 22. Fascinating costumes, old-time songs, lots of fun.

Mrs. Elizabeth Leighton and family spent the week-end at the home of the former's son, C. A. Leighton.

The Ladies' Aid of the Baptist church met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Fred Huff.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Jones of Glendora were entertained last Sunday by the Jones family of North Citrus avenue.

Mrs. J. H. Simpson and her sister, Mrs. Emma Rice, spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Los Angeles and heard "The Campus."

Mrs. W. P. Nye entertained at luncheon last Tuesday Dr. Hanna, a prominent lady physician of Oberlin, Ohio, and Mrs. G. D. Jennings.

Mrs. W. J. Newsome, wife of the principal of the grammar school, is convalescing from a two weeks' illness.

Miss Dorothy French of Los Angeles spent the week-end with her aunt, Mrs. A. R. Evans, who has been ill for a week.

Mrs. Charles Menefee is enjoying an extended visit of two friends, Miss Myra Russell of Long Beach and Miss Anna R. Wilde of Cedar Falls, Iowa.

A bridge-whist club is being formed among the society leaders of Covina. The first meeting was held yesterday afternoon with Mrs. J. H. Sass.

Insist on knowing the contents of every remedy that is given baby. Nyal's Baby Cough Syrup is free from opiates and can be given with absolute safety—it's effective, too. NASH.

Mrs. P. E. Letchworth and Miss Collins attended a bridge party given by Mrs. Gilchrist and Mrs. Avery at Hotel Maryland, Pasadena, last Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. C. A. Leighton has a friend spending a few days with her, Mrs. Canfield of Los Angeles. Yesterday she gave a luncheon in honor of her guest.

Mrs. J. M. Crane was the guest, Wednesday and Thursday, of Mrs. L. E. Amidon of Highland Park and with her attended the Gipsy Smith meetings.

Mrs. A. M. Pence and Miss Mattie Breakey attended the graduating exercises of the 1912 class of the Good Samaritan hospital, their sister, Miss Margaret, being among the graduates.

A big consignment of Crawford shoes for well-dressed young men, just arrived, and now in our windows—Hays Clothing company, Citrus avenue.

Luncheon guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Broadwell were: Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Murphy and granddaughters, Marie Anna and Leo Murphy, and Will Thompson, all of Los Angeles.

Dr. and Mrs. C. Fred Aschenbrenner and George E. Covert left last Friday for Modesto, looking at land in that neighborhood. After an enjoyable trip they returned on Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Potter attended a reception in Los Angeles on Monday evening, by Mr. and Mrs. McKain, in celebration of their twenty-first wedding anniversary. Mrs. McKain is a sister of Mrs. Potter.

An evening of Five Hundred was enjoyed at the home of Mrs. Rosa C. Clarke on Monday evening by Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Broadwell, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Matthews and Mrs. John Wilkins.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Heath entertained at a dinner party on Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Marshall, and Thomas Trevor. Music was enjoyed during the evening.

A large crowd of local people, who heard Schumann-Heink on Tuesday evening, included Messrs. and Mesdames W. M. Griswold, W. W. Nash, Kerckhoff, Sass, Miss Mabel White, Messrs. Alex. Anderson and Edward Sproutte.

Mrs. Theresa Macoy of St. Louis, whose son was married recently to Miss Evelyn Fletcher, is spending a week with Mrs. J. H. Sass. She will return later for a longer visit. Lunches were given for her on Tuesday by Mrs. Mary Capron and on Wednesday by Mrs. A. P. Kerckhoff.

A number of members of the Monday Afternoon club attended the annual reciprocity meeting of the Glendora club on Tuesday afternoon. With Mrs. C. E. Crawford in her car were: Mesdames Morgan, Broadwell, Warner and Reed; with Mrs. Traweck, Mesdames Sprague, Paige, Miss Hastings and her guest, Mr. Traweck being the chauffeur. The program included a talk on Jane Welch Carlyle by Miss Harris of Riverside.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Dreher of Pomona spent Sunday at the home of their daughter, Mrs. F. E. Dudderar.

Robert Sweeney of Pearl, Ill., son of Mrs. Sarah Sweeney, and brother of Mrs. A. G. Grant, has arrived to make an extended visit with the latter, who had not seen him for twelve years. He will obtain work here and stay some time, and will no doubt succumb to the charms of California.

A charmingly appointed dinner preceded the meeting of the Five Hundred Club at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Potter on Thursday evening of this week. The members were present in full force, including Messrs. and Mesdames Kerckhoff, Given, Crook, Prather, Clapp, Devendorf, Reichard, Groom, Elliott, Griswold, Mrs. Capron was present as a guest.

### FOR THE LITTLE ONES.

Miss Jane Jordan Will Establish Kindergarten Class in Room in Reed Building.

Miss Jane Jordan, a graduate kindergarten teacher, who has been teaching in Pasadena, has been given permission to use one of the rooms in the Reed school-house, for the purpose of conducting a kindergarten class. This will be conducted under the auspices of the school board, but as the population of Covina does not warrant a salaried teacher, private support will be necessary for a time. A committee of the Monday Afternoon club was appointed to look into the matter last year, but reported that the time was not yet ripe for such a venture. Now the plan is considered feasible.

Miss Jordan is visiting Mrs. Carroll Webb.

Several philanthropic residents of Covina have declared their intention to pay the tuition of some children whose parents are not able to afford the small fee.

### Baffling Boston.

After ten days we were able to find our way around Boston—but not across it. If you start to walk out in Boston you always come back to the place from which you started unless you try to; then it is almost impossible.

The transportation is fine, after you have committed it to memory. The hospitality of Boston we shall always remember—but not its street car directions. A Boston street car acts like a bronco. You never know whether it is going through the air like a bird, under the ground like a mole, or beneath the bay like a fish. The motorman seems to make up his mind as he goes along.

The Boston language is sibilant and stylish. The Boston people love the soft boomed "r." Out West folks pronounce "r" a good deal like a dog chewing a bone. In Boston they deal as gently with it as they can, as if it were not to blame for being in the language, although it doesn't belong there.—Horseshoer's Journal.

### RECRUITS FROM S. S.

Church Workers Are Sure That This Is Basis for Christian Life—Sessions Held Here.

Believing that practical figures should point the way, and having determined that ninety per cent of the people who become church members are first members of some Sunday school, the Southern California Methodist Sunday School workers have started what is termed as a "Campaign for the Kingdom," and yesterday afternoon the prominent workers in this church from all over Southern California were in session at the Covina Methodist church. This was known as a group conference, and besides yesterday's session, there is also an important meeting this morning and all day tomorrow at the local church. Delegates from El Monte, Baldwin Park, Azusa, Glendora and San Dimas were here. The programs are under the auspices of the Board of Sunday Schools of the Methodist Episcopal church.

The exercises yesterday afternoon began at two o'clock, Rev. J. N. Roberts leading in devotional service. Mrs. E. P. Warner, of Covina, presided. An address: "Are We Working the Field?" was delivered by Rev. M. S. McGee, and another interesting talk was "Practical Plans for Enlarging the Main School," by Rev. A. B. Embree. Rev. John F. Cook took as his subject, "Why Organize the Adult Classes?" and Mrs. Charles Klingerman had as her subject: "The Function of the Cradle Roll and Home Department." A very interesting address was delivered by Dr. Oren B. Waite, on "Planning a Campaign."

The service last evening began with Rev. Bede A. Johnson presiding, and the address was given by Dr. Waite, who spoke on "The Conservation of the Child." The church was filled with people.

The program for this morning is as follows:

9:30. Devotional service, Rev. H. S. Munger.

9:45. The Graded Lessons and Teaching Efficiency, Mrs. Emma Clark.

10:05. Evangelism in the Sunday School, Rev. A. E. Johnson.

10:20. The Board of Sunday Schools and Our Relation to It, Rev. J. N. Roberts.

10:40. The Teacher's Task and Equipment, Dr. Oren B. Waite.

11:10. Conference and Discussion. Sunday.

11:00. Address, "Sunday School and Church Problems," Dr. Oren B. Waite.

7:30. Address, "The Function of the Home in Moral and Religious Training," Dr. Oren B. Waite.

### Big Millinery Sale.

Miss Reckard says she must make room for the new spring stock which is to be of a very large assortment, therefore will sell all winter hats and fancy feathers below cost, rather than pack them away. Call and see goods and get prices. Will give 25 per cent off on all ostrich feathers, and baby caps.

### CALIFORNIA INVITATION DAY.

4,000,000 Invited West by the Southern Pacific Company.

The popular California Invitation day inaugurated by the Southern Pacific company a year ago will be observed on February 23rd this year.

The railroad company will submit 4,000,000 cards, showing the beauties and resources of California and with the co-operation of our board of trade, educational institutions and the general public, expect to do a great deal of good work in bringing our eastern friends to California, the "Golden State."

There will be handsome views of all California and it is the wish of the Southern Pacific company that every one secure several copies and mail to some eastern friend. These cards will be distributed from the local offices of the Southern Pacific company.

February 23rd has been decided upon in order to give the people a chance to avail themselves of the cheap Colonist Rates in effect March 1st to April 15th.

These invitation cards will be made double, with a return portion addressed to the various boards of trade in order that information desired can be accurately and promptly furnished.

Everybody should co-operate with us and we feel sure that all California will be greatly benefited by this good work.

## Every Week

We receive a stock of

## Fresh Candies

When you wish to buy

## FRESH DAINTY CANDIES

we can supply you to your satisfaction.

There is no need to go elsewhere for variety or quality; we have both.

## Clapp's Drug & Stationery Store

### VALENTINES

In a variety of designs and effects. Valentine booklets, post cards, etc., 1c to \$3.00.

### Covina Book Store

## Watch and Clock REPAIRING

I do jewelry repairing of all kinds and personally guarantee every piece of work that leaves my store.

## F. E. WOLFARTH

The Pioneer Jeweler.

## Covina Transfer Co

Is equipped to handle all kinds of merchandise, move household goods, or do heavy teaming.

Piano moving.  
GERHART & JACKSON  
Proprietors.  
Res. Phone 1108 Office, 2080  
COVINA, CAL.

## Johnson & Nigg BLACKSMITHS

Blacksmithing of all Kinds

## Specialty Horseshoeing

Shop on Citrus Avenue



## We Have No Corner In Lumber

of the common kind, but we come pretty nearly having one in that of the very highest class. If you are seeking lumber that is sound, straight grained accurately cut and thoroughly seasoned, the surest way of getting it is to come here.

## Covina Lumber Co.

LUMBER—LIME—CEMENT—PLASTER

Front and Citrus Avenue.

Home Phone 4.

## Winter Lamb

Finest of the season. We will sell you a leg of lamb at the rate of fifteen cents the pound.

Our bacon is now selling at 19 cents by the side, and you will go far and search long before you beat it.

## Lard—

A fifty pound can .....\$6.50  
Ten pound can .....1.45  
Five pound can .....75  
Three pound can .....45

## Covina Valley Market

Branch of the San Antonio Meat Company of Pomona

Home Phone 36

## Great Bargains

In city residences and lots. Greatest chances out in orange groves, walnut groves, garden lands, etc.

### ROOMS TO RENT

## Buckeye & Jersey Real Estate and Insurance Co.

S. S. STOWE B. S. CHEMBERLIN  
Clement's New Bldg. over Empress Theatre. Citrus Ave., Covina  
Phone 114.

## How Dollars Grow

ALMOST AS SOON AS YOU DEPOSIT A DOLLAR IN THE BANK, IT IS WORTH MORE THAN A DOLLAR.

INTEREST IS A FAITHFUL WORKER, ONE THAT NEVER GETS TIRED OR TAKES A HOLIDAY.

WHY NOT GIVE YOUR DOLLARS THE OPPORTUNITY TO GROW BY DEPOSITING THEM REGULARLY IN THE COVINA VALLEY SAVINGS BANK.

4 per cent. Interest Paid.

## Covina Valley Savings Bank

FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING  
Covina, California

## WHY?

## BECAUSE

The ground hog comes out of both. "Sic him Tige, he bit your father."

Well, and speaking of the daily grind, we've also just ordered a new bone grinder that makes bone meal for chickens. This meal we will forfeit all right to, for, say—three pounds for ten cents.

And that sausage we spoke about is two pounds for 35 cents.

## Covina City Market

EASON & LAVAYEA, PROPS.  
Auto Delivery City and Country.

Two Phones 94.

## Author Creates Thoughts With Pruning Shears

Bingham Thoburn Wilson, author, literary critic for years on the New York Sun, staff writer for Harper's Monthly, and well-known throughout the United States as a lecturer on literary subjects, has been for several months resting at his ranch at the corner of Citrus avenue and Cypress avenue, opposite the Kung ranch. Wilson has been leading the life of a cheerful hermit this winter, searching among his orange trees for dead limbs to prune, and new thoughts. The pruning shears not only help him to eliminate needless debris from the trees, but the work also clears out a mass of accumulated weariness that has collected in the eddying current of active literary life. Something like this, is his method of expression regarding the establishment of his hermitage, and his wife is enjoying the life with him, while their young son is enrolled at the Covina Union high school. The Wilsons are living in content in the old building on the ranch that was once the first grocery store in the Covina valley, the same building, around which it was fondly thought, the town of Covina would gravitate. Mr. Wilson says he has plans for a new residence, and longs for the time when he can settle here for the days to come, when he can write, dream and work as the rest of the world goes by.

Bingham Thoburn Wilson, for one thing, is the author of the exquisite child-story, "The Village of Hide and Seek," which appeared in 1905, and which had a run of over 100,000 copies in England alone. The story is a delicate and original thing, full of happy thoughts for grown-ups as well as children, a juvenile tale of higher planes than the nursery, filled with touches of whimsical poetry, entertaining and wholesome in every line. Another of his books is a poem, "The Hypocrite," issued by the Lyceum Publishing company of New York, and dealing philosophically and strongly with a religious problem. Other books are, "The Tale of the Phantom Yacht," and "Ye Mountaineers."

Wilson's life on the Covina ranch has been so unobtrusive, that few people know him here. A companionable man, and a quick maker of friends when the person shows a spark of the divine cosmos, he has yet a reserve about him, which possibly may be accentuated at this present time because of his determination to rest. He is a man of powerful frame, the picture of physical welfare, but as is the case with many who follow the grind of literary endeavor, he is now searching for the elixir that drives away brain-fog, and he cheerfully admits that the Covina orange groves are dispelling his mind-weariness as no other place has done in the past.

The literature of New York and the east, knows Wilson very well, many for his personal charm, and all for the merit of his work. He has a sheaf of introductions from prominent literary men in the east, but he has as yet presented no credentials, and is doubtful if he wishes to do other than prune orange trees and search for new thoughts.

In the meantime, a few are becoming acquainted with him, and his conversation is a delight. His fine brain is a storehouse of interesting things, from which he draws freely when pleased with his company, and the supply does not diminish, but increases, as is the case always with the dissemination of thought and philosophy. The other day he said that he has the frame-work up for a new novel, and is working out the main theme as he clips the dead wood from his trees. The Covina valley has one of nearly every kind of man known to the civilized world, and a successful writer of books is the latest acquisition.

### WHEN FULL OF YEARS.

County Horticultural Commissioner Meserve Leaves His Desk and Passes Away Suddenly.

The death of A. R. Meserve, the aged executive of the county horticultural office, has caused much conjecture as to who will succeed him, and the ranchers of the Covina valley are interested in the situation, as the district had found the late commissioner's work of a kind wholly satisfactory to this valley. The Los Angeles Times has the following account of the death:

A. R. Meserve, widely known as county horticultural commissioner, died suddenly at his home in this city at an early hour yesterday morning, at the age of 78 years. On the preceding evening he was taken with an attack of heart disease and seemed to be resting easy in the night, but at 2 o'clock yesterday morning the attack was renewed. Physicians were hastily summoned but he died before their arrival.

The deceased was born in South Durham, Me., and came to California in 1852, when he was 19 years of age, locating in Sacramento and began life as clerk in the wholesale store of Crocker Brothers. He later went into business with his brother in Prairie City. He was married in 1860 and removed to Santa Cruz five years later, engaging in mercantile business and serving four years as treasurer of that county. In 1877 he removed to a tract of land near Pomona and took up his residence in the old San Jose adobe ranch house, living there until twelve years ago, when he became a resident of this city, being at the time one of the horticultural commissioners of the county. When the commission was abolished by the state law and an individual commissioner substituted, he was appointed to the place by county supervisors and held the position at the time of his death.

He leaves a widow, two sons and a daughter in this city. The latter is Mrs. Charles E. Sumner; one son, Edwin A. Meserve, is a well known attorney, and the other, Harry W. Meserve, is deputy horticultural commissioner. The deceased held a prominent place among the horticulturists of Southern California, having become an authority in all things pertaining to the fruit-growing industry soon after taking up his residence at Pomona. He was a man of exceptional uprightness of character and was highly esteemed by all who knew him.

### "COMMERCIAL ART."

Rev. Harry W. White Speaks on This Subject Before Santa Barbara Business Men.

"Art—the science with a heart," was the phrase coined by Rev. Harry W. White, in his address at the annual dinner of the Commercial club at the Potter hotel in Santa Barbara last week. Dr. White was speaking on "Commercial Art," which he argued was a possibility because of the fact that commercialism was a science, and it could be given a heart.

The address was delivered before a splendid gathering of 150 persons, many of whom were ladies. The banquet was served in the Moorish room, and the manner in which things progressed, together with other recent happenings in Santa Barbara would indicate there is some sort of awakening here of the unusual order. Fifty more persons appeared at the hotel last night than were reckoned upon, and as a result the dining room was put to its wit's ends in order to hurriedly arrange things for about one-third more persons than had been calculated on at 6 o'clock.

### INJURY CAUSES DEATH.

W. H. Motter Dies at Clara Barton Hospital After Operation for Stomach Rupture.

After two weeks of severe illness, caused by the rupturing of the stomach wall, W. H. Motter, of Venice, well known in Covina, died at the Clara Barton hospital at twelve o'clock last Sunday night. Operations were performed upon him by the hospital staff, but Mr. Motter did not rally sufficiently to overcome the shock. He was attended at his home before going to the hospital by Dr. J. C. Goodell of Covina. The rupture was caused by a slight accident while at work on the Venice roller-coaster machine, but physicians said that the stomach wall had been weakened by ulcers.

The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon at the Covina Christian church, Rev. D. F. Stafford officiating. Three hymns, "Abide With Me," "The Christian's Goodnight" and "It is Well With My Soul," were sung by a quartette composed of Mrs. W. W. Nuzum, Mrs. J. E. Heath, W. P. Nye and Henry L. Marshall. The interment was in the Oakdale cemetery.

The deceased was 59 years old, and came to California four years ago from Dayton, Ohio. Nearly all his life he followed the trade of a stationary engineer.

Besides a widow, Mr. Motter left a brother in Covina, J. L. Motter, sisters, Mrs. L. E. Fahrney of Sterling, Kansas, Miss Mary Motter of Oklahoma, Mrs. Etta McGinnigle of Nickerson, Kansas, Mrs. Martha Lyon of Washington county, Maryland, a half-sister, Mrs. Barbara Swain of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and a brother, Charles E. Motter of Washington county, Maryland.

### APPRECIATION.

The relatives of Mr. W. H. Motter, whose funeral was held at the Covina Christian church on Tuesday, wish to thank everyone who so kindly assisted, during the illness and after the death of the beloved husband and brother.

Mrs. W. H. Motter,  
J. L. Motter.

### TITLES ARE CHANGING.

Charter Oak Real Estate Encounters Strong Demand, and Prices Indicate Real Values.

Realty deals representing a value of \$167,000 have been made here this week, with several large ones pending. Grober Brothers sold their ranch of twelve and one-half acres, better known as the Given ranch, which contains five acres each of navel and valencias, and two and one-half acres of young lemon buds, to B. F. Wasson, a wealthy resident of Tacoma. Mr. Wasson buys for a home. The consideration was \$36,000, cash. This sale was made through the agency of Johnson & Smith at Charter Oak. They also sold to Alfred Merritt, a prominent eastern capitalist, ten acres of young valencias on Juanita street, known as the Crook grove, for \$16,000.

J. C. McCully sells twenty acres of two years' old valencias, to Dr. Shoemaker, for \$22,500 cash. Mr. McCully purchased his grove in June of last year for \$16,000, and sold at a handsome profit.

Dr. Frank Morris has bought twenty acres, which comprises the Sheaf ranch, set to young trees, for a consideration of \$22,000.

P. E. Letchworth of Covina, bought ten acres of eight years' old valencias of M. Harnly for \$29,000.

W. S. Lincoln sells to G. Evans of Pomona, fifteen acres of thirteen year old navel for \$35,000.

David Peters sells ten acres on Juanita street, about one-half each of navel and valencias, five years old, to a Minnesota man, who will build at once a substantial home. Consideration, \$16,000.

### MISS HAYWARD'S SUCCESSES.

Beautiful Young Soprano Who was Heard Here Last Summer is Winning the Critics.

Miss Ruth Hayward, whose home is in San Jose, has won signal honors since she left Covina last summer, after her successful concert here in the high school auditorium. Miss Hayward is to appear for the Covina Woman's club within a short time, and the ladies are preparing for her concert. The San Jose Mercury recently had the following article about her:

San Jose is planning a benefit concert for Ruth Hayward—"our own Ruth" who has lived among us and has won the affection of all by her sweet personality and gentle manner—and 150 prominent ladies are to be patronesses at the Victory theater on February 9, when a program arranged especially for the talented young singer by her teacher, Madame Ellen Beach Yaw, will be given.

Miss Hayward, who sang several times in concert in Los Angeles, winning the unstinted praise of the musical critics, had her "coming out" concert in this city last October, gaining golden opinions from the big audience which filled the lanai of the Vendome, and repeating her triumph a few weeks later in Palo Alto. The perfect ease with which she sang her most difficult numbers, the astonishing technique she displayed, the purity and flexibility of voice together with her undoubted dramatic ability, fairly took her audience by storm, and she was given an ovation.

Shortly after, in San Francisco, she sang for one of the severest musical critics in the city, and, though he came to stay "only a few minutes," he remained over two hours, listening to the wonderful liquid voice. And this is what he wrote:

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"Miss Hayward is a protegee of Ellen Beach Yaw, who has been her only teacher. Miss Yaw heard her sing at San Jose some time ago when the girl, confident that she had vocal ability, asked to have her voice tried. The noted soprano became instantly enthusiastic and took Miss Hayward to her Southern California home for training, and without charge. This school was continued for eight months."

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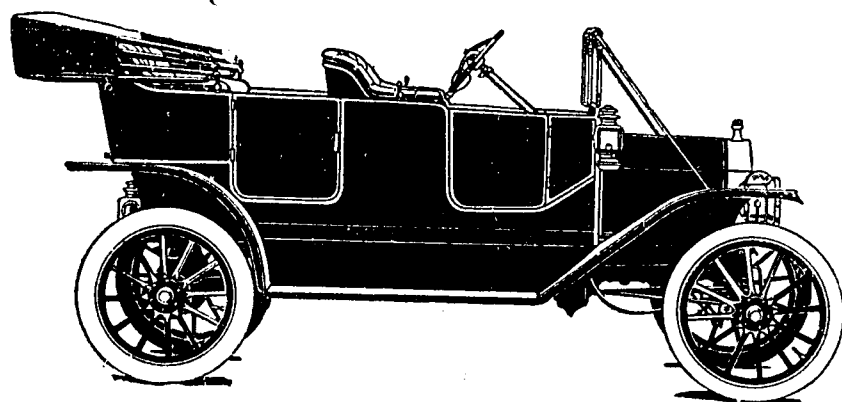
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## HOTEL BEDS ABROAD.

To Get Into Some of Them One Has to Use a Stepladder.

The European bed always strikes the uninitiated American traveler as a huge joke. In France they commence to impress him with their height and narrowness, and he looks dubiously at the enormous Turkey red cotton "couvre pied" of elderdown, which seems something like a mountain, and he wonders how he is ever going to bear all that extra weight on his person. But when he has slipped between the sheets and the grateful warmth communicates itself to his cold bones—if it is winter they are sure to be like icicles—he discovers that it is deceptively light and deliciously comfortable.

In Switzerland the beds attain a little more height, but it is in Germany that they become of such an altitude as to necessitate a pair of steps to mount them. One tourist, finding that one leg of the stepladder was broken, solved his difficulty by going to the extreme end of the room, taking a running start and landing with a flying leap in the midst of the Turkey red elderdown. He crawled in under the crocheted counterpane and was soon fast asleep. Some time in the night he became sleepily aware of a consuming thirst and started to get out of bed for a drink. A startled shriek, followed by some swear words that even the thick headed German watchman understood, penetrated to the remotest chamber in the inn.

"I was half awake," he explained afterward, "and had been dreaming of standing on Table rock, in the Yosemite. I started to get out of bed—and began to fall. Naturally I supposed I was plunging to the bottom of that precipice, and I'll leave it to you if any one wouldn't have let out a yell when he thought he was going to be dashed to death."

Sometimes in European hotels the tourist is taken solemnly to one side and told that by paying a few francs or lire more he can have the royal bedchamber. A certain hotel in Sorrento, where a dozen or more royal heads have lain in one season, is even more generous, for if the rooms are empty they make no extra charge. And the traveler loves to recount when he is back on his native heath how his cheek pressed the same pillow that had been used by the little queen of Holland or the king of Saxony.—New York Tribune.

## BALANCING THE SEXES.

Singular, Isn't It, the Way Nature Preserves the Equilibrium?

One of the most subtle and interesting problems of life, according to the eminent statistician and student of heredity, Professor R. J. Ewart, is the numerical relationship of sex and its influence upon the body politic. The woman's rights movement is in essence a mathematical and statistical problem, according to him. There is not a general advance of woman, as some sociologists assert. There is a sudden manifestation of her power, a period of supremacy and then a decline of her status.

The explanation is statistical mainly. True, it has always been something of a puzzle why the proportion of each kind, apparently with little or no underlying reason, is produced in the right numbers. The argument that if such were not the case the particular species would not survive does not reveal to us the methods by which this object has been achieved. That some mechanism must exist by means of which within certain limits the number of males and females born is regulated is proved by the facts of history, where we have numerous examples of wars and other social upheavals where males have largely suffered, and yet within an apparently short period of time, as measured by such events, a balance has again been established.

The sex equilibrium may be compared to that of a gyroscope, where the greater the disturbance of position the greater is the force tending to re-establish its natural stand while in motion.—Current Literature.

### She Had Noticed.

He was talking to the pessimistic, sharp tongued damsel.

"Have you noticed," he asked, "that, as a rule, bachelors are wealthier than married men?"

"I have," she replied. "How do you account for it?" he inquired.

"The poor man marries and the rich one doesn't," she answered. "A man is much more disposed to divide nothing with a woman than he is to divide something, you know."

### Maine's First Hotel.

Maine's first public hotel was built in 1654. Waddock's Ordinary, erected near Old Orchard, according to a Saco historian, is entitled to the distinction. The old tavern was erected by Henry Waddock and stood almost within sight of the large summer hostelry which fringe the crescent shaped beach at Old Orchard.—Kennebec Journal.

### The Doctor's Boy.

"Mamma, the doctor's boy next door made faces at me."

"And what did you do?"

"I stuck out my tongue at him."

"Dear, dear! And what did the bad boy do then?"

"He just said it was badly coated."

—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

### A Near Nature Return.

"You must quit spending so much time in rathskellers and get back to nature more."

"All right, doc. I'd just as soon sit in the palm room."—Pittsburg Post.

## China as a Bluffer.

Professor Ian C. Hannah in his book, "Eastern Asia—A History," says that taxicabs, or, rather, automatic registers attached to horse cabs, were invented about 630 A. D., during the Tang dynasty in China. In his opinion the Chinese empire is "the greatest bluff in the world," and it suggests to him a very ancient Chinese fable, which he relates.

A monkey was captured by a tiger. He whined that he was thin and his flesh of poor taste, but he knew of a fine fat donkey for the tiger. The tiger consented to be led to where the donkey was tied. When the donkey saw them coming he was frightened, but recovered his composure and bawled in his masterful donkey voice:

"Monkey, you used to bring me two tigers. Why only one today?"

The tiger did a record hustle back to the jungle.

China, says Professor Hannah, has shown much of that donkey's resourcefulness in its history.

### Two Women.

In her book "Woman and Labor" Olive Schreiner gives an amusing illustration of the fact that it is not the amount of money a person has which makes him or her a parasite on society, but the way it is used.

"The wife of an American millionaire," says Mrs. Schreiner, "was visited by a woman, the daughter and widow of a small professional man. She stated that she was in need of both food and clothing. The millionaire's wife gave her a leg of mutton and two valuable dresses. The woman proceeded to whine, though in vigorous health, that she had no one to carry them home for her. The American, the descendant of generations of able, laboring, New England Puritan women, tucked the leg of mutton under one arm and the bundle of clothes under the other and walked off down the city street toward the woman's dwelling, followed by the astonished pauper parasite."

### The Size of Some Stars.

M. Nordmann of the Paris observatory believes that he has devised a successful method of determining the diameters of stars by a comparison of their effective temperatures with their parallaxes. In the case of some of the brightest stars he has reached interesting results. Thus he finds that Aldebaran, the bright star in Taurus, is veritably a giant sun, the ratio of its diameter to that of our sun being greater than that of the sun to the planet Jupiter. This means that Aldebaran has a diameter probably not less than 8,000,000 miles, or more than thirty times the distance from the earth to the moon. On the other hand, Sirius, or the dog star, to our eyes the brightest of all the stars, is, according to M. Nordmann, but little larger than our sun.

## Juggernaut.

Juggernaut—or "lord of the world"—was supposed to be one of the incarnations of Krishna. The idol is formed of an irregular pyramidal black stone, with two large diamonds to represent eyes. The nose and mouth are painted vermilion. An immense number of pilgrims visit the idol annually, reaching up into the millions. Juggernaut worship used to be a terrible thing, but it is not what it once was. The state allowance to the temple was suspended by the Indian government in 1851, and the festivals are growing less and less popular year by year. The growing intelligence of the people and the restraining influence of the government are doing their work, and Juggernaut is steadily losing ground.—New York American.

### Tea Tremens.

"I used to be a tea taster in Hankow," said a New York tea dealer, "but I got a bad attack of tea tremens and had to give up the job. Tea tremens is a recognized disease among Chinese tea tasters. These men don't swallow a drop of tea from one week's end to another. They simply hold the tea in the mouth, get an idea of its aroma and then eject it, but nevertheless the aroma of the tea causes violent nervous attacks, with sleeplessness and even hallucinations that are known all over China as tea tremens. I have never had delirium tremens, but if it's one-half as bad as the tea sort I pity the poor victim."

### When a Soft Drink Is Hard.

"You are arrested on a very serious charge, my good man," began the court, looking at the man severely. "You are accused of getting into a fight and hitting the complainant over the head with a bottle. What have you to say for yourself?"

"Your honor, I didn't mean to hurt him. I never thought that it would hurt him very much, 'cause the bottle contained nothing but a soft drink," returned the prisoner.—Milwaukee Free Press.

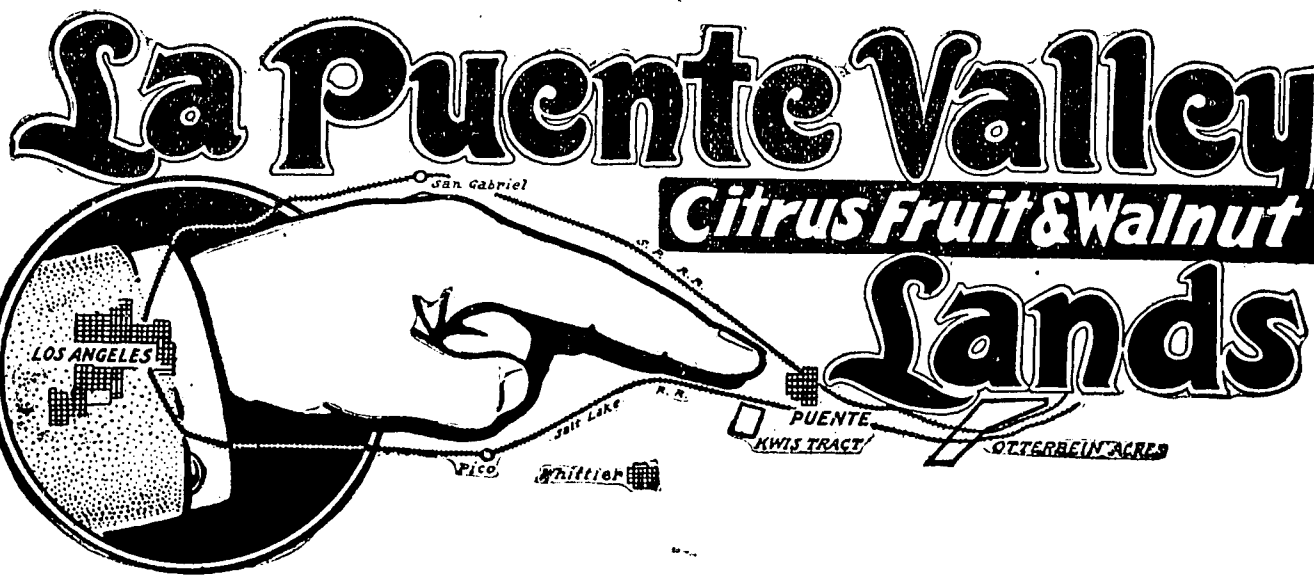
### The Timid One.

An officer in the army, noted for his bravery, laughed at a timid woman because she was alarmed at the noise of a cannon when a salute was fired. The brave officer subsequently married that timid woman, and six months afterward he took off his boots in the hall when he came in late at night.—London Telegraph.

### One Virtue.

The Lady—Poor tramp! Have you anything in your life to be proud of? The Hobo—Yessum. I never beat nobody out of no laundry bill.—Toledo Blade.

There would not be so many open mouths if there were not so many open ears.—Hall.



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## Town and Country

### New Residence For Badillo.

George J. Smart has bought lots on Badillo avenue, between Hollenbeck and Fourth, and will begin the construction of a modern cottage to cost \$3,000. Mr. Smart is the father of Mrs. Solon Jessup, and for years has been confidential clerk for the Banning Company, which operates the transportation to Catalina Island. He will continue in this capacity, but wants to live in Covina, which he says is the most attractive place he has found in Southern California.

### Nuzum Has Fine Car.

V. A. Spalding, the local agent for the Ford automobiles, is one of the lucky ones among the handlers of automobiles. From a shipment of eight machines received two weeks ago, he has sold five Fords, which is considered a fine record. One of these was sold to W. W. Nuzum of Covina, and all the metal work is nickel-plated, making it one of the most attractive machines being driven in the valley.

### Sprains His Leg.

George Coolman, a Covina contractor, suffered a badly sprained leg on Tuesday, while at work on the Brambaugh ranch on Grand avenue. The contractor slipped and fell while working on a cess-pool. The injury will incapacitate Mr. Coolman for a time, but is not considered serious.

### Deputy Sheriff Is Proud.

Deputy Sheriff George Van Vliet of Covina is surrounding himself with a posse of his own, which will be a strong defense in the future when desperadoes are to be rounded up. On Sunday, February 4, the household was increased by a fine boy, making two boys and a girl that the deputy sheriff now has in his home. Deputy Van Vliet is one of the proudest men in Covina, and has reason to be.

### He's With Covina Now.

William C. Wilson, otherwise known as "Bill," is a high school baseball star of the first magnitude, and his reputation is just beginning to be locally known. "Bill" is the son of Bingham Wilson, the novelist and critic, who lives at the corner of Cypress avenue and Citrus avenue, and he has been playing with the Covina team since matriculating at the high school. Wilson has a gold medal which he won for the highest batting average among high school players in the city of New York, a prize offered by the New York Herald. He also has the high school championship medal, as a member of the team that won the championship of Greater New York. This is going some for a youth of nineteen. He pitched 11 high school league games in a series without a break, winning every game, and three of these games were featured as "no hit" contests. With Wilson on the local team, the Covina boys ought to annex all honors this year.

### Hammond Boosts for Taft.

John Hays Hammond, engineer of international fame, who was believed to have been exposed to the perils of the uprising in the revolutionary zone in Mexico, is at the Hotel Virginia, Long Beach. Mr. Hammond says he was never in any peril during his stay in Mexico. He plunged at once into the declaration that President Taft will be the only candidate to succeed himself; that Roosevelt will not secure a look-in and that the LaPollette and other booms will subside before the republican national convention.

### Inspectors At Funeral.

Horticultural Inspectors James R. Hodges and S. L. Spencer of the Covina district, were in attendance at the funeral yesterday of Horticultural Commissioner A. R. Meserve, whose obituary appears on another page. The funeral was attended by many ranchers throughout the citrus districts, who had known and appreciated the commissioner during his official life.

### For The Minnesotans.

The call has gone out for the Minnesota people to gather at Eastlake park on Monday, February 12, where the former residents of this state will hob nob and compare experiences of the old days. The accounts state that a fine program has been arranged.

### VETERINARY MOVES HERE.

Dr. B. C. McClintock, who has established an office as veterinary surgeon at Keefer's stable on Citrus avenue, is making arrangements to move here with his family this coming week, and has already done a large amount of business in the Covina valley, since making the announcement of his coming.

Dr. McClintock treats all domestic animals, such as the horse, dog, sheep or cow, and has made a study of animal anatomy for many years. A free examination is given when patients are brought to the office. Call Dr. McClintock at telephone 240.

### Frances Willard Tea.

The next regular meeting of the Covina W. C. T. U. will be the annual Frances Willard tea, for the benefit of the Frances Willard memorial fund. It will be held at the home of Mrs. Marie Leighton on West Badillo avenue. A short program will be given, consisting of music, a recitation by Mrs. Eva Reed, and a short paper telling about W.C.T.U. work in the far corners of the earth. A silver offering will be taken, followed by a social hour. Visitors cordially welcomed.

### SELLING HIGH-GRADE TIRES.

The Haley-Schultz Rubber company, with offices and stock room at the Haley Ranch on Puente road and Merced avenue, reports this week that they have made several good sales of Miller tires, and has had many promising inquiries.

Wherever the Miller Rubber company productions are known, they are making an increasing demand, as they are of the highest quality. The Haley-Schultz company expects to do a flourishing business in this vicinity.

## FIREMAN'S DANCE COMING.

### Boys Who Run With Hose-Wagon Will Hold Entertainment—Need More Helmets.

The Covina Volunteer Firemen moved into their new quarters on College street this week, and are busy fitting up the place, so that it will be made a suitable meeting-place for the members of the company. The apparatus has been installed in the new cement building just completed.

The boys made such a success of the entertainment they put on recently at the Isis theater that they are going to "shake the same tree again," and will hold a dance in the Woman's clubhouse on the evening of February 20th. The Covina Mandolin club will furnish music free of charge, and the ladies have very kindly donated the use of the hall for the evening. The reason for holding the dance is in order to get money to buy helmets and some furniture for the new building. The money recently made in entertainment has bought fourteen rubber coats, but this has been expended, and the boys are still in need of clothes for fire-fighting. The affair will undoubtedly be patronized by all lovers of the "light fantastic." The floor will be managed by Carl Crenshaw, Reeves Eason and Frank Johnson.

### HOW MEN ARE BORN.

A great many kinds of men are born into this world. Some are born in happy homes where their coming is welcomed. They always make good men.

Some are born hypocrites. That happens when one or both parents have been playing a part all their lives and have never been what they seemed to be.

Some are born rogues and dissemblers. They are people whose births were accidents.

Some are born natural sneaks and liars. They cannot help it, either the father or mother, or both of them, all through life poses as something while all the time knowing it was a lie.

Some are born natural scrubs. These generally take after both parents. Some are born with a hate for all the world, and a desire to get even for some unexplained wrong. They are but the product of pre-natal hates, their coming was unwelcome; their hands have been against the world from the beginning.

Some are born high and true because they were prayed for, and the prayer was that they would be high and true and noble from before the germs of their lives had any life.

Some are born in rebellion against God and the world and their thoughts from the first have been dark thoughts. They came by them naturally. Their mothers before they were born knew that their fathers were not fit to ever be fathers. God pity them!

Some are born to be self forgetful and patient under worry, and their whole lives are lives of self-abnegation. These are children of mothers who repressed their real natures and gave up their lives, without bitterness, for what they held to be duty.

There is nothing that a person should be so careful about as how he is to be born.



Christian Science service each Sunday at 11 a.m. in the Woman's Club House. Subject tomorrow, Feb. 11, "Spirit." All welcome.

German Evangelical Lutheran: First and Third Sundays of each month, 2:30 p.m. at Woman's Club House. All are cordially invited.

Roman Catholic services: Until the completion of the new church building, mass will be held every Sunday morning at 8 o'clock in the Woman's Club House.

The First Presbyterian Church: C. D. Williamson, D. D., minister. Sabbath-school, 9:45 a.m. Morning worship, 11 a.m. Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p.m. The people's praise service, 7:30 p.m. "You'll like our services" and you are most cordially welcomed. 11 a.m., sermon by the pastor. 7:30.

Services in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Sexagesima Sunday. Holy Communion, 7:30 a.m. Sunday-school, 9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer, 11 a.m.; subject, "The Divine Law of Priority." Evensong, 7:30 p.m.

First Christian Church, D. F. Stafford, Pastor—Services morning and evening. Preaching by the pastor. Morning subject: "They That Live." Evening subject: "The End of the Way." Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. Official board of the church and officers and teachers of the Sunday school will meet after the morning service. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p.m. Prayer meeting and Training class on Wednesday evening. District convention on Tuesday, February 20. A welcome for all who will attend these services of the church.

First Baptist Church, W. W. Catherwood, Pastor—The services at this church are as follows: Sunday school teachers' prayer meeting at 9:30; Sunday school at 9:45; Mrs. M. E. Clifford, superintendent. Preaching by the pastor at 11 a.m. Subject: "Two Girls in Trouble." Evening service at 7:30, subject, the third in the series of six Sunday evening sermons to young people, "Which End of Town Do You Live In?" A union meeting of men at 3 p.m. in this church, under the auspices of the Men and Religion Forward movement. Juniors at 3 p.m., Senior B. Y. P. U. at 6:30. Leader, Mrs. Custer. Subject: "Generosity." Wednesday evening prayer and Bible study conference at 7:30. The people's church, with a homelike welcome for all.

## California Walnuts.

In making a trip through various eastern markets to determine as to conditions affecting the marketing of California walnuts. Mr. Osmun and President Hazzard of the Walnut Growers' association visited over 200 retail stores. In each request was made for California walnuts, and in most of them no such article was kept, but of course all had plenty of "English" walnuts. Practically all of these dealers had no idea other than that the "English" walnut was grown in England. Only one of these two hundred stores advertised these nuts as California walnuts, though every one of them was supplied with the California grown nut.

The lesson which the citrus grower has learned should be a valuable one for the walnut grower. Because of the activity of English commerce many of our foodstuffs have come to us under the British flag. In earlier times the "English" walnut was one of these. The nut is in no sense English, though if any foreign name were given, it should perhaps be Madera or Persian, but so long as California is able to supply the needs of the entire United States as to this delicious nut, there is no reason why it should not be called the California walnut. Let us walnut people take up a vigorous campaign to educate the east as to the desirable qualities of the fruit of our walnut orchards, and also learn to call for the California nut instead of the "English."—California Cultivator.

### THOUSAND TONS ORDERED.

One of the largest orders of lime, to be used for agricultural purposes, that has ever been sold in California, was booked last week by S. W. Funk, local agent for a large lime and gypsum concern. The order was taken for the Huntington Land Improvement company, situated at San Marino, near Pasadena, and was for 1000 tons. This order is being delivered at the rate of two carloads each day. The Huntington property consists of 450 acres, which are undergoing a thorough change. The property is all planted to citrus trees, and the lime will be distributed over the entire orchard. William Hertrich, the foreman in charge of the work, is a landscape gardener and soil scientist, and he has a thorough knowledge of what has been accomplished in Germany through the constant application of lime.

### Where Bananas Cluster.

The land of the lotus, not to say the thousands of acres of bananas, was the subject of an interesting paper, entitled, "Our Island Possessions," prepared and read by Mrs. E. H. Sprague at the last meeting of the Monday Afternoon club. The subject dealt almost wholly with Porto Rico, which is one of the least known islands now under the jurisdiction of the Stars and Stripes.

The subject has been one that has been treated by several members of the club, and the islands of Hawaii and the Philippines have received attention in well-written papers. Mrs. Sprague gave a very illuminating picture of the life and customs of the people, and the industries of the island.

Mrs. Lowrie Grow, of Pasadena, a cousin of Mrs. Will Lavayea, gave two numbers for the piano, which were greatly enjoyed.

"Mr. Higgins.—You seem to be quite a favorite with the ladies at this hotel. If I give you free room and board will you agree to flirt with all the wall flowers?" "Not me. I'm no lemon squeezer."—Houston Post.

## Holly Seils Ranch.

A. I. Holly of Rowland avenue, well known Covina rancher, has sold his seven and one-half acres of valencias and navel oranges to F. R. Greenleaf of Los Angeles. The property has a five-room house on it, and the deal was closed for \$16,000, through the agency of D. W. MacDonald of Covina.

Mr. Holly takes in exchange a house and lot on Poloma avenue in Ocean Park, valued at \$5,000, and the remainder in cash. Mr. Greenleaf will come here to make his home, and Mr. Holly is still living here, having taken a house on Center street.

### Funerals Out of Town.

W. Q. Custer of Covina reports two funerals at Azusa and Glendora this week, besides the funeral of J. S. Brubaker, otherwise reported. Mrs. Rebecca E. Ward of Azusa, died at her home this week, aged 90 years. She was the mother-in-law of J. A. H. Wilson, a Methodist minister of Azusa.

The funeral of Beverley Crockett was held at Glendora. He was 61 years old.

### Births.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Carpenter, February 2, a girl.  
To Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Grundby of Azusa, February 8, a boy.  
To Mr. and Mrs. George VanVliet, February 4, a boy.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Acosta, February 3, a boy.

### Enjoyable Dancing Party.

When the orchestra struck up the numbers that included xylophone solos, the music swept the dancers of the Bachelor Club affair irresistibly, and this instrument added much to the pleasure of the evening. The dance was held on Tuesday evening in the Woman's clubhouse, and was largely attended by all the young people of the valley. Music was furnished by the Foresman & Loucks orchestra of Pomona.



For Rent, Exchange, Lost Found, Miscellaneous.

FOR SALE—CITRUS TREES; extra fine, sturdy and well matured; grown in the San Dimas frostless belt. Write for full description, price, etc. Navel, Valencia, Lates and lemons; 1 year buds. Engage now and make sure of getting the best. F. B. Wilcox, 224.

FOR SALE—Washington navel orange stock and Eureka lemons, for the 1912 planting. True to name and in every way guaranteed. Frank Morris, phone 1223, Covina. Box 24, Covina.

FOR SALE—Valencia, Navel and Eureka Lemon Trees. Pays to buy the best. Robinson Citrus Nurseries, San Dimas P. O. Valley Center Station, Corner Valley Center and Junita avenues. 2-24

WANTED—300 lemon trees, budded one foot above ground. Address F. W. Walton, R. 1, Covina.

Webster's says: Covina Dye Works means clothes economy. Look this up.

FOR SALE—\$950.00 lot on Center, between Fourth and Fifth. Box 512, Covina.

FOR SALE—Fine team iron grey horse-mules, 7 and 8 years old; weight when in condition, 2800. One second-hand "Planet Junior" cultivator, 3 shovels, 11 arms, good condition, jumper, one-horse cultivator, 3-inch wagon in fair condition, with bed-sides and sand bed. F. C. Wolf, E. Badillo, Phone 256. 2-17

WANTED—Tt once, 10 to 20 acres orange or lemon grove, in upper Covina, San Dimas or Charter Oak, with or without house. Must be good income and reasonable price. Edwin G. Hart, 917-23 Union Oil Building, Los Angeles. 1-t-p

FOR EXCHANGE OR SALE—One fine Poland China boar, 1 sow with pigs and 4 shoats; weigh about 75 pounds each. Will exchange for cow or what you have. F. T. Heintz, Baldwin Park. 1-t

FOR SALE CHEAP—Nearly new surrey, surrey harness, old work harness, disc-cultivator, harrow and plow; sell cheap or trade for automobile or cheap town lot. S. S. Elliott, Tel. 1230. 2-17p-tf

FOR SALE—Citrus nursery stock, 2,000 val., 1 and 2 years old; 2,000 navel, 1 and 2 years old; 1,000 lemons 1 and 2 years old. Clean thrifty stock. Will sell as a whole or in quantities to suit. Covina Realty Co., Covina.

BUY A FLANDERS 20 car, made by the Studebaker Bros., \$995, fully equipped, with self-starter. Smith & Johnson. Phones 4162 and 2171. 2-17

FOR SALE—Two incubators, 200 and 300 egg size. Your own price. Peanuts, 7c a pound. V. F. Dotts, phone 1151. 2-10p

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred Rhode Island Red roosters; also some hen turkeys. H. F. Wiley, Irwindale avenue. 2-10p

FOR SALE—My home on East Badillo; 8 rooms, modern, with furnace; large garage; all clean; terms on part. S. S. Elliott, Tel. 1230. 2-17p-tf

WANTED—Several boarders; also to rent furnished room to lady. Third house from corner on 2nd and Center Sts. 2-10p

Any part of \$6,000.00 to loan on improved ranches at 7 per cent. See me for fire insurance; have six good companies. Oscar Miller. Phone 194. 1-t-p

Now is the best time to plant roses. Reduced prices on large orders. All guaranteed to grow. Solon Jessup. 2-11p

WANTED—Plain sewing. Shirt waists made to order; house dresses, \$1.75 up. Children's wash suits, \$1.00 up. Phone 4119. 1-t

FOR SALE—Baby chicks, R. I. Reds, on Puente St. between 4th and Hollenbeck. Mrs. V. Landrum. 2-10p-tf

FOR SALE—Walnut wood, \$6 per cord. F. W. Wittenbrock, Irwindale. Phone 4283. 2-10p

FOR SALE—One good work horse; price, \$150. F. C. Devendorf, phone 3276. 1-t

FOR SALE—Barley and oat hay. Will start to sell on Tuesday, February 6. Layay Bros., Puente. 2-10p

FOUND—Whip. Owner can have same by calling at Argus office and paying for this ad. 1-t

FOR SALE—Rabbits. Inquire San Bernardino and Fourth street. Call Saturday. Phone 1132. 1-t-p

Want to get rich? Let me make that old suit look like new; will help for resetting. H. F. Wiley, Irwindale avenue. 2-10p

FOR SALE—Black Minorca and White Leghorn eggs for settings. Phone 1098. Mrs. J. Wheeler. 3-2p

FOR SALE—Covina Irrigating Co's. water stock, 26 shares. Phone 3095. 2-10p

FOR SALE—Black walnut wood, \$9 per cord on the ground; \$11 delivered. H. C. Gordon. Phone 2283. 1-t

FOR SALE—Cypress stove wood. Inquire of Scofield, phone 1097, Azusa. 1-t

FOR SALE—Surrey, single or double. Good as new. Cheap. See E. R. Coffman, Phone 1276. 1-t

WANTED—Covina Irrigating water stock. Covina Realty Co.

WALNUTS FOR SALE—Telephone 2274. 1-t

FOR SALE—Fresh Jersey cow. J. Thompson, South Lark Ellen St. 1-t-p

FOR SALE—Gum wood \$10 per cord on ground. Phone 2123. 1-t

We have money to loan on real estate. Covina Realty Co. 1-t

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## Shoes.

Our new Basement Salesroom for women's and children's only will enable us to carry a larger stock.

The new White shoes, pumps, and novelties are all shipped.  
Special Bargains—  
Tan, 14 button shoes, 2½ to 6...\$2.65  
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Infants' fancy cloth tops patent shoes, \$1.25 grade...90c  
Women's \$4.00 pat. Colt Oxfords...\$2.50

## Boys' Shoes.

Do you know a boy is hard on shoes? It will pay you to find a good make and a fair price and stay with it. If you had a good man working for you, would you discharge him every time a new man came along and offered to do \$4.00 worth of work for \$1.69? There is mighty little profit in handling boys' shoes, if you are honest. It takes good leather and good shoe-making, and leather and labor bring a price these days. You might do worse than look here for boys' shoes.

## Men's Shoes.

500 pairs men's shoes and oxfords, value \$4 and \$5, to close at \$2.50 & \$2

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